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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: June 20, 1955

FROM : SAC, WFO (66-2233)

BUREAU

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - EMERGENCY HEADQUARTERS FOR S.O.G.

While at [redacted]  
[redacted] June 15 and 16, 1955, I talked to [redacted] on  
[redacted] the morning of June 15. [redacted] indicated he  
was expecting to see Bureau representatives in view  
of what he had been reading in the newspapers.

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[redacted] was most cordial and coopera-  
tive. He offered to put WFO representatives up at [redacted]  
[redacted] [redacted] was thanked for his kind offer. He  
was informed that we were there for the purpose of test-  
ing communications.

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Let WFO  
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DJP1 - cc Det Liaison  
6/1/55Liaison  
McGhee

SAC, Washington

July 1, 1955

PERSONAL ATTENTION

Director, FBI

WAR PLANS

Reference is made to your letter of June 20, 1955, concerning cooperation of [redacted] during Operation Alert tests June 15 and 16, 1955.

As you are aware, [redacted] has, on occasion of previous contacts with him, inquired as to the possibility for reimbursement of personal expenses, and when asked as to the expenses to which he had been put at that time, has advised that they were minor and he had not kept any record, but had inquired for his guidance in the event it was necessary for him to expend additional funds out of his pocket. He advised that the only expenses to which he had been put were in the use of his personal car on a few occasions in the Bureau's behalf. It is known that he has cooperated to the extent of performing services on his own personal time by arranging for telephone and power service personnel and Bureau personnel to have access to the space made available to us at [redacted].

Although [redacted] has made no request for any specific reimbursement, he has indicated that he would like to be reimbursed for any material expenses to which he is put and also for his personal efforts beyond those of his official capacity.

In view of the fact that he has personally handled these matters and has maintained the confidential nature of the Bureau's plans, you are authorized to pay [redacted] \$100 from your confidential fund. This payment should be made by you personally on the occasion of your next contact with [redacted].

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Approved by Executives Conference on June 30, 1955. Conference consisted of Messrs. Tolson, Nichols, Mason, Boardman, Keay, Sizoo, Tamm, Callahan, and Parsons.

1 - Mr. Belmont (McArdle) (sent direct)

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July 13, 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON  
MR. BOARDMAN  
MR. BELMONT  
MR. NICHOLS

Today I attended a conference in the Attorney General's office at which were present the Attorney General; the Deputy Attorney General; Assistant Attorney General Tompkins; Mr. Yeagley, of Mr. Tompkins' Division; a representative from Mr. Rankin's Division; General Swing, Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization; and, General Howard, assistant to General Swing.

The Attorney General took up for discussion the matters which he had outlined in his memorandum of July 7, 1955, calling the conference.

As to the first item, which raised the question as to where the permanent relocation headquarters of the Department of Justice would be located, the Attorney General inquired of me as to whether we had made any progress in locating a desirable place. I told the Attorney General that a survey had been in progress ever since "Operation Alert." I stated that we had looked at a number of places in [redacted] and had not been able to find any place which would be suitable for a relocation headquarters for the entire Department of Justice, including the FBI. b7E

The Attorney General then inquired of General Swing whether he had any suggestions to make and General Swing stated that he had located [redacted]

[redacted] He stated that [redacted] would be entirely suitable for the use of the Department of Justice. He indicated that there was adjacent to [redacted] a warehouse which by certain alterations and the cutting of windows and doors could house additional personnel. General Swing had had General Howard view this particular place and General Howard stated that it was quite adequate for the use desired b7E

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by the Department of Justice. General Swing indicated that [redacted]

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General Swing stated he had checked with ODM and that the site suggested was [redacted].

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The Attorney General suggested that I have someone from the FBI look at this set-up to see whether it would be suitable for the FBI also. Assistant Attorney General Tompkins stated he would like to have someone likewise look at it from the Internal Security Division. General Howard, who is apparently spearheading this project, stated that he would be very glad to take representatives from the Internal Security Division and from the FBI to [redacted]

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[redacted] any time that representatives are desirous of going. I have instructed Mr. Boardman to arrange for Mr. Belmont and Mr. Nease to immediately make an inspection of this new place. I have asked Mr. Boardman to get in touch with General Howard and advise General Howard that we are ready to inspect this at once and would prefer to do so this week so that the situation may be resolved.

I cannot help but observe what a complete and colossal failure was made by Messrs. Boardman and Belmont in surveying the areas for a relocation headquarters. It certainly seems to me that if the Immigration and Naturalization Service was able to locate [redacted]

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[redacted], the FBI could have likewise done so long ago which would have given us the advantage of having something to say about the set-up, if it be the decision of the Attorney General that the FBI and the Department of Justice relocate at [redacted]

As regards the second question raised by the Attorney General in his memorandum of July 7, 1955, dealing with the setting up of an advisory committee and the supervision of the relocation problems by the Deputy Attorney General's office, it was the view of the Deputy Attorney General that this should not be assigned to his division, but should remain in the Internal Security Division. Assistant Attorney General Tompkins vigorously opposed this. I stated to the Attorney General that while this particular question did not involve the

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FBI, I thought he would be interested in knowing what the experience in the Bureau had been. I told him that we had originally had the matter dealing with relocation operations assigned to the Training and Inspection Division, which largely deals with administrative matters, but that I had found it to be better to transfer the responsibility for this work to the Domestic Intelligence Division since so many aspects of security were involved and that he might want to keep this in mind in making the decision as to whether the Internal Security Division of the Department should continue handling the matters dealing with relocation. The Attorney General stated that he would make the decision himself in a few days.

I took occasion to also observe my general disapproval of the formation of a committee, in that I believed that more delays occurred when committees were set up to handle a matter than when it was assigned to a particular individual to take charge of it.

The next question raised in the Attorney General's memorandum of July 7, 1955, No. 3, dealt with the establishment of a Departmental cryptograph system. General Swing had apparently had a survey made as to procuring scrambling machines which could be leased on the A. T. & T. Company.

I pointed out to the Attorney General what the system was within the Bureau and that [redacted] was procured by the Bureau from [redacted] which has the authority for the supplying of this equipment. I advised the Attorney General that all of our field offices, as well as our relocation center at [redacted], and the Seat of Government were already equipped with this machine and that the Department might desire to consider procuring the same from [redacted]. I also pointed out that [redacted] would train personnel in the operation of these machines. The Attorney General indicated that he desired to utilize the same system as the Bureau and would take steps to have the same procured from [redacted].

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No. 4 of the Attorney General's memorandum of July 7, 1955, was then taken up and dealt with the enlargement of the Portfolio. It was the opinion of all that the Portfolio should include additional matters that had been discussed. I made the suggestion

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that the Portfolio be divided into two volumes, the first volume to contain Parts 1, 2 and 3, and the second volume to contain the new matters which are being added and which do not directly pertain to Parts 1, 2 and 3. This suggestion was adopted.

It was also suggested by the Deputy Attorney General that the Chain of Command be briefed as to the contents of the Portfolio and this suggestion was adopted and will be handled by Mr. Rankin's Division.

Question 5 of the Attorney General's memorandum of July 7, 1955, was then taken up, and I briefed the Attorney General upon the status of this problem, as reflected in the brief transmitted to me by Mr. Boardman under date of July 11, 1955, and the memorandum dated July 13, 1955.

Question 6, of the Attorney General's memorandum of July 7, 1955, dealing with the matter of martial law was then taken up, and I made the observation that I hoped that the various problems incident thereto would be resolved before any real emergency arose. I pointed out the possibility of delays unless proper decisions were made in advance of the emergency. The Attorney General agreed with this and Mr. Rankin's Division will apparently handle the same.

No. 7 of the Attorney General's memorandum of July 7, 1955, was then taken up, dealing with the matter of the Security Index. I advised the Attorney General of the progress we had made in applying the new criteria to the Index. I also had occasion to urge the necessity for some review of the Index by Departmental personnel. Assistant Attorney General Tompkins stated that there were no attorneys or funds available for this to be done. I pointed out the imperative necessity for some action being taken along this line. The Attorney General directed that Assistant Attorney General Tompkins should assign one attorney who would "sample" the cases of persons in the Security Index. I would like to be advised not later than August 15, whether we receive any word from Mr. Tompkins' Division indicating initiation of this action.

I also called the Attorney General's attention to the fact that there were a number of questions which we had raised, such as

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whether the Defense Department would provide detention facilities in certain areas; whether the Defense Department would administer regulations in United States territory other than the Continental United States; and whether the suggestions made by the Bureau upon the control regulations affecting non-dangerous alien enemies to be enforced by the Immigration and Naturalization Service had been accepted. The Attorney General asked the representative of Mr. Rankin's Division to look into this matter.

No. 8 of the Attorney General's memorandum of July 7, 1955, was then taken up which dealt with the Mexican Border Plan.

General Swing stated he had a letter drafted which he handed to the Attorney General for the Attorney General to send to the Secretary of Defense, requesting the use of the Army to establish proper control along the border in case of emergency. This request calls for 15,000 troops for a period not to exceed sixty days. These troops will be under the direction of the Border Patrol should the Army accede to the request.

General Swing then advised that he had recently, indicating it was last week, sent some representatives of the Immigration and Naturalization Service to Mexico City to inquire into the situation in Mexico as regards the Mexican Communist Party. General Swing stated that he had procured the names of the two officials of the Mexican Foreign Office who had married two Russian women and had learned that one of these officials had indicated to his wife that unless she became naturalized as a Mexican citizen, she could go back to Russia.

General Swing also stated that

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General Swing also stated that at the present time the Communist Party is not on the ballot in Mexico because they cannot procure enough signatures of Communist Party members to entitle them to be represented on the ballot.

General Swing stated that the State Department has informed him that they have been most favorably impressed with the efforts of the present Mexican Government in toughening up in handling the Communist problem in Mexico.

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General Swing stated that

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I cannot help but observe that the information which General Swing has been able to procure concerning conditions in Mexico dealing with security and subversive activities is contrary to the information with which I have been supplied by this Bureau. He seems to have more up-to-date and current information on these problems than we do here.

The last item on the Attorney General's memorandum of July 7, 1955, was then taken up and was approved by the Attorney General.

Very truly yours,

J. E. H.

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: June 14, 1955

FROM : L. V. BOARDMAN

SUBJECT: NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING,  
JUNE 16, 1955

Tolson  
Boardman  
Belmont  
Bishop  
Clegg  
Glavin  
Harbo  
Mohr  
Parsons  
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Holloman  
Gandy

Enclosed is a letter from Mr. Ralph N. Stohl, in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, advising that those attending the NSC meeting at [redacted] on June 16, 1955, should arrive at [redacted] not later than 9:00 a.m. and that an escort will be provided to guide you from [redacted] to the place of the meeting. In view of the highly restricted nature of [redacted], Mr. Stohl has requested to be advised today of your means of travel and the names and security clearances of everyone who will be included in your party, including the name of the driver of the automobile.

ACTION:

It is suggested that Special Agent Edward S. Sanders advise Stohl telephonically today that Mr. Tolson will accompany you, that your car will be driven by Special Agent James E. Crawford, and that Special Agent Edward S. Sanders, our Liaison Agent with the National Security Council, will also be at [redacted] and that all are cleared for Top Secret or above.

Enclosure.

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- 1-Mr. Boardman
- 1-Mr. Belmont
- 1-Mr. Sanders
- 1-Section Tickler

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Bureau War Plans - Emergency Headquarters For S.O.C.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: June 20, 1955

FROM : L. V. BOARDMAN *LB*SUBJECT: EMERGENCY RELOCATION PLAN FOR  
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Tolson ✓  
Boardman ✓  
Belmont ✓  
Clegg ✓  
Glavin ✓  
Ladd ✓  
Nichols ✓  
Rosen ✓  
Tamm ✓  
Trotter ✓  
Winterrowd ✓  
Tele. Room ✓  
Holloman ✓  
Gandy ✓

On June 9, 1955, the National Security Council adopted an NSC relocation plan which had been submitted by the Planning Board. The plan states that, under conditions of attack emergency, the NSC will be convened by the President on such occasions and at such places as he may from time to time elect. The plan notes that NSC members will proceed to the relocation sites of their respective agencies. The NSC Planning Board members, advisers, and observers will also proceed to their respective agency relocation sites and will be available for reporting on call to such location as the Chairman of the Planning Board may from time to time designate. The NSC Staff under attack conditions will relocate to  b7E

At the NSC meeting on June 9, 1955, the President stated that future tests of the emergency relocation plan should include a number of National Security Council meetings with a view to assuring that emergency relocation plans will enable the Council under wartime conditions to meet frequently and function effectively as the key policy advisory body to the President.

ACTION:

The foregoing action by the NSC and the statements of the President at the NSC meeting are of interest in connection with our consideration of a new relocation site.

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1-Mr. Sanders

1-Section Tickler

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

FROM : R. R. Roach

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - OPERATION ALERT  
JUNE 15, 16, 17, 1955  
BUREAU LIAISON REPRESENTATION WITH  
[redacted]

DATE: June 23, 1955

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Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
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SYNOPSIS:

Pursuant to instructions, Supervisor M. W. Kuhrtz, Liaison Section, arrived at [redacted] 11:00 a. m., June 15, 1955, to perform Bureau liaison with [redacted] during "Operation Alert." Desk and telephone provided at site. Sleeping accommodations arranged by [redacted] at local motel. [redacted]

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A total of 12 telephone contacts were made via commercial line between [redacted] and [redacted]. [redacted] operations at [redacted] were geared to handle the normal daily action matters and the only "Operation Alert" activity was to follow the test problems as transmitted by the microwave hookup at [redacted]. [redacted] encountered considerable difficulty in maintaining its microwave contacts with the other agencies.

ACTION:

This memorandum is submitted for information.

ENCLOSURE

Enclosure

MWK:jlf

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. McArdle
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Kuhrtz

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont

DETAILS:

Pursuant to instructions, Supervisor M. W. Kuhrtz departed Justice Building, Washington, D. C., 8:30 a. m., June 15, 1955, en route [redacted]

[redacted] After checking in at [redacted], Supervisor Kuhrtz proceeded to [redacted]

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[redacted] Contact was made with the Bureau site from this point at 11:00 a. m., June 15. [redacted]

[redacted] For the purpose of this operation, [redacted]

Supervisor Kuhrtz was assigned desk space in [redacted] which housed [redacted]. This consisted of one large unpartitioned area housing approximately 60 personnel. This unit in [redacted] was headed by [redacted]

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During the course of this three day operation a total of 12 telephone contacts were made between Supervisor Kuhrtz and the Bureau's headquarters at [redacted] by way of commercial telephone line. (The attached schedule will reflect the contacts with Bureau headquarters during the three day operation.)

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During this exercise, the following agencies had liaison representatives at [redacted] in addition to the Bureau: [redacted]

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At 4:41 p. m., June 15, Supervisor Kuhrtz was requested to attend a meeting [redacted]

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont

[redacted], Simulation of [redacted] b7E  
[redacted] was effected by telephone contact with [redacted] at 12:20 p. m.,  
June 15, 1955.

On June 16, 1955, [redacted]

[redacted] b7E  
[redacted]  
[redacted] This information was  
furnished to Mr. Roach at [redacted] by phone at 5:05 p. m., on June 16.

The Washington Post and Times Herald on June 16, printed an article entitled "State Department Takes Shift in Stride." The article referred to State Department's evacuation on June 15 and appeared to be very favorable as far as State's conduct in this operation. The article stated that "somewhere within 300 miles of Washington" State Department personnel arrived in an orderly fashion without creating any traffic jamings or disquieting the community. The article continued that "the town looked just about as it does every day."

In connection with "Operation Alert" it is pointed out that [redacted] activities at [redacted] were primarily geared for the handling of all action matters arising within each unit during the three days. Direct teletype and mail service operated between Washington and [redacted] and each unit was sufficiently staffed for this purpose. The business conducted by the Bureau's Liaison representative at [redacted] was comparable to that conducted on a regular day-to-day basis. [redacted] did attempt to follow the test problems as they developed via the microwave contact at [redacted]. However, this contact was continually poor and inadequate for necessary wartime operations. It is also pointed out that [redacted] operations at [redacted] coincided with their regular working hours at Washington and no effort was made to create test problems after regular hours similar to those enacted in other agencies at their relocation sites. b7E

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *WFO*

DATE: June 30, 1955

FROM : MR. R. R. ROACH *R*SUBJECT: BUREAU WAR PLANS - EMERGENCY HEADQUARTERS  
FOR S.O.G. *WFO*

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By memorandum dated June 27, 1955, concerning war plans Operation Alert 1955, it was recommended and approved that the Bureau accept an invitation when tendered by the Office of Defense Mobilization (ODM) to serve on the Sensitive Agencies Group, the formation of which will begin immediately by General Willard Paul, Assistant Director, ODM. Referenced memorandum pointed out that ODM contemplated a surprise test for each agency in Government sometime during the next three or four months and that only the agency head and relocation representative will be advised as to the time.

On June 30, 1955, Mr. W.F. Woods of the Liaison Section contacted General Paul and was advised that the formation of the Sensitive Agencies Group is in the process of being "molded together" and that something definite concerning this group will be forthcoming in the near future. General Paul was advised that concerning the surprise tests that the Bureau had conducted a surprise relocation test on May 26, 1955, at which time we successfully tested the speed of our evacuation of essential personnel and placing into operation our relocation site. He was also told that in connection with the recent June test we tested the speed of operation in the same manner. It was pointed out to General Paul that in view of this and the fact that we were in the process of locating a new site it would probably not be practical for the Bureau to engage in a surprise test during the next three or four months. General Paul advised that in planning for this surprise test it is not anticipated that the agencies will be required to relocate but that they may do so if they desire in order to test their relocation plans. He indicated that each agency, however, will receive from ODM a guide to enable each agency to "clean their own dirty linen" in so far as errors in previous tests have been noted. He felt that because the Bureau had very actively participated in the recent test as well as the fact that the Bureau has previously conducted a test that it will not be necessary for us to relocate until the next scheduled general test in June, 1956. He advised, however, that the Bureau would be furnished a guide which will enable us to detect and correct any errors made on previous tests.

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- 1 - Mr. Nichols
- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. McArdle
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Woods

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Memo to Mr. Belmont  
from Mr. Roach

RE: BUREAU WAR PLANS

ACTION:

Liaison will follow closely with General Paul and  
report on the progress of the formation of the Sensitive Agencies  
Group.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

DATE: June 21, 1955

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - OPERATION ALERT 1955

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In a memorandum to you dated June 15, 1955, captioned as above, I pointed out that Justice had represented the entire Department and its component agencies at meetings covering plans for operation alert. Justice has not always forwarded documents received as a result of their participation to the Bureau and frequently much of the information coming to the attention of the Bureau has been obtained through liaison on a confidential off-the-record basis from the Office of Defense Mobilization (ODM). Concerning this, the Director commented "What steps do you suggest we take so as to be kept properly & promptly advised? It is obvious that Dept. will not do it. H."

Lt. Gen. Willard Paul, USA (ret.), Assistant Director, ODM, has advised Walter F. Woods, Liaison Section, that information pertaining to alert planning originates from two sources. One is the Interagency Committee for Alert Planning, which is concerned with all facets of relocation sites and other war plans of agencies in Government. The other is the Continuity of Government Planning Groups within ODM composed of several units within that agency whose purpose is to plan for all Government on an alert basis. Both committees, according to Gen. Paul, work very closely together with regard to alert planning. General Paul advised that Justice is the recipient of information from both groups and he assumes that such information is passed on to the Bureau. He pointed out that there are no regularly scheduled meetings of the Continuity of Government Planning Group but that all department heads are notified well in advance of a contemplated meeting in order that a representative may be present. He advised there are 31 departments and/or agencies represented. It is pointed out that many of these agencies have far less responsibility under alert conditions than the Bureau. General Paul advised that actually there is no one individual responsible for planning and that there are approximately 20 units or offices in ODM engaged solely in Continuity of Government Planning.

As previously reported to you, Justice has not always made information coming to their attention available to the Bureau and further, according to officials of ODM, Justice has not always

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- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Nichols
- 1 - Mr. McArdle
- 1 - Mr. Roach (Lia. Sect.)
- 1 - Mr. Woods

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been present at meetings. Because the Bureau has not heretofore been recognized as a member of the Continuity of Government Planning Group, much of the information coming to the Bureau's attention has been obtained through liaison on a confidential basis.

During the recent test, the President indicated an extreme interest in alert planning and stated his desire for additional and frequent tests. It, therefore, is imperative that the Bureau be kept promptly advised of developments in this field.

ACTION:

1. In view of the fact it is vitally necessary that the Bureau be kept promptly advised of developments concerning alert planning, the Liaison Representative will determine through contact with Lt. Gen. Paul of ODM the feasibility of the Bureau's seeking representation to the above committees. It will be determined what responsibilities the Bureau would have, how much time would be consumed through attendance at these meetings and what steps should the Bureau take to gain membership. It is noted that General Paul has indicated a desire for the Bureau to participate.

2. Liaison will follow and report the results of the contact with General Paul promptly and at that time consideration will be given to seeking membership.

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J.B. [signature] [initials]

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman

DATE: June 27, 1955

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - OPERATION ALERT - 1955

SYNOPSIS:

Prior approval having been obtained for Liaison to contact the Office of Defense Mobilization (ODM) concerning the feasibility of the Bureau seeking membership on the Interagency Alert Planning Committee as well as the ODM Continuity of Government Planning Group, Liaison representative Walter F. Woods, on June 23, 1955, contacted Lieutenant General Willard Paul, U. S. Army (retired), Assistant Director for Plans and Readiness, ODM. At the outset General Paul was advised that during the prephase planning in connection with the recent test, Bureau had not always received information promptly. He was reminded of Dr. Arthur Flemming's, Director of ODM, statement at the last Inter-assembly Group meeting at [redacted] that he, Dr. Flemming, felt the various departments' representatives to the Interagency Committee on Alert Planning had been remiss in not promptly disseminating information within their respective departments. He was also reminded of the Bureau's membership on the former Adhoc Committee on Alert Planning wherein the Bureau was kept constantly advised. The Adhoc Committee was abolished approximately a year and one-half ago. General Paul stated that ODM and particularly his office, had, since the test, received several complaints from agencies and commissions within departments that they had not received any information regarding alert planning from their department's representative and that some units of [redacted] were conversant with the test only through newspaper articles.

General Paul advised that earlier, on June 23, he attended a meeting concerning the recent test and that those in attendance included among others [redacted]

[redacted] General Paul stated that many "flaws" in the test exercise were brought to light and particular emphasis was placed on the fact that information coming to the attention of the various department representatives

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- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Nichols
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. McArdle
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- 1 - Mr. Woods

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Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
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had not been furnished the agencies within the respective departments. It was at this meeting that a decision was made to reconstruct and reconstitute the planning committees for future exercises. General Paul stated that it is now the intention of his office (Plans and Readiness, ODM) to return to the sensitive agencies "setup." General Paul told Woods that Continuity of Government Planning will, of course, continue but that problems arising within this Group will not concern the responsibilities of the FBI. In view of this and the fact that he appreciates the need for the Bureau to be represented in alert plans as they pertain to our responsibilities he is creating a sensitive agency group composed of FBI, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This group will be similar to the former Adhoc Group on Alert Planning and will deal solely with problems affecting the Bureau's responsibilities in the event of an emergency, as well as the problems of the other sensitive agencies in the intelligence community. Representation by the Bureau will enable us to be in a position to be kept continually and currently advised of planning developments. b7E

General Paul advised that formation of the ~~Sensitive Agencies Group~~ will begin immediately and he will keep the Bureau advised of developments. Justice, according to General Paul, will continue to represent the component agencies within the Department on the over-all Interagency Committee on Alert Planning and Continuity of Government Planning Groups, however, General Paul assured Woods that information developed within these two groups would be made available to the Bureau through direct liaison. He advised Woods that "his door will always be open" to the Bureau as he appreciates our responsibilities.

Regarding future tests, General Paul stated that the next general test is scheduled for June, 1956, but that some time during the next three or four months a request will be made of each agency to conduct a trial test. This is to be a surprise test and only the agency head and relocation representative will be advised as to the time. He stated that at least one week's notice would be given the agency head in order to plan the test relocation. He indicated the exercise will be intended to test the ability to evacuate quickly and place into operation the relocation site.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the Bureau accept an invitation when tendered to serve on the Sensitive Agencies Group.
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2. Liaison will follow closely with General Willard Paul, Assistant Director, ODM, to make certain that Bureau will be asked to participate, and to obtain all information regarding alert planning.

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3. The Bureau has already conducted a surprise relocation test on May 26, 1955, at which time we successfully tested the speed of our evacuation of essential personnel and placing into operation our relocation site. These are the two factors which General Paul states will be covered in the surprise tests. If you approve, we will acquaint General Paul with the fact we had a surprise test and advise him of the speed with which we effected our evacuation and relocation. We will further tell General Paul that we tested speed of operation in the same way in the recent June test. By advising General Paul of this he may decide that we have already conducted our surprise tests and that we will not be asked to conduct another.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - OPERATION ALERT 1955

DATE: June 29, 1955

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 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
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In my memorandum to the Director June 17, 1955, summarizing the results of Operation Alert 1955, certain difficulties encountered within the Bureau were set forth. The Director noted, "See that the above are given immediate attention and let me have report by July 1, as to corrective measures. H."

Among the difficulties encountered were:

(1) Difficulty with direct telephone line between [ ] and [ ]. Inspector McGuire, Communications Section, Records and Communications Division, advised that this difficulty was taken up with Mr. [ ] Long Line Division, AT and T, on June 15 and 16. It was determined that this was a difficulty located within the central switchboard at the Telephone Company and was immediately corrected.

(2) Although Code Room employees worked assiduously without time for lunch on June 15, the volume was so great that delays in coding were incurred. In an actual relocation and in any subsequent relocation tests, additional coding employees will be included to insure no delay in encoding and decoding messages.

(3) Availability checks. There was some delay in contacting Agents in our larger offices during the availability checks. The Administrative Division is preparing an SAC letter to correct this difficulty and is considering the advisability of certain manual changes relative to the availability of Agent personnel.

(4) The Cincinnati office encountered difficulty in a problem relative to setting up a Radiac detection meter, which device is used to test the presence of radioactive particles. The SAC, Cincinnati, has received instructions on this matter by letter 6/22/55 and

Enclosure

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- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Parsons
- 1 - Section Tickler
- 1 - Mr. McArdle

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an SAC letter prepared 6/27/55 is being sent to all offices with instructions to incorporate information relative to the Radiac testing meter in their Bureau War Plans and instructing that they follow procedures set forth in SAC Letter No. 23 dated 3/4/52. This matter will be given careful and continuous attention.

Referenced memorandum set forth certain difficulties encountered outside the Bureau. To these the Director noted, "Give prompt attention. H."

Among the difficulties were:

(1) The delay encountered in securing the Attorney General's authority to launch the emergency detection program and his approval for launching the program involving custody of enemy diplomats. By memorandum to the Attorney General 6/20/55 this delay was pointed out. The Attorney General was advised that unless necessary decisions are made immediately and appropriately furnished this Bureau, the effectiveness of these programs will be drastically reduced. With reference to the program involving the detention of enemy diplomats, it should be noted that Presidential authority is necessary before [redacted] can request the Bureau to proceed with the program. Once the President has instructed that this program be placed into operation, no delay is anticipated. The plan as it is now devised includes the presence of a Bureau liaison man with [redacted] at their relocation site and the presence of [redacted] representatives with the FBI to answer questions on policy matters affecting [redacted] insofar as this program is concerned.

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(2) The lack of a safe and secure communications system between the FBI and the Department of Justice was noted. By memorandum dated 6/16/55 the lack of a cryptographic system available to both the Department of Justice and the FBI was called to the Attorney General's attention. To further alleviate this situation, strenuous efforts are now being made to find a relocation

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site which will accommodate the essential personnel of both the Justice Department and the FBI. This will negate the necessity for a cryptographic system between the Bureau and the Department.

(3) Delays were encountered in contacting our Liaison Agents due to inadequate communication setup at other agencies. These delays due to inadequate communication facilities in the other agencies were set forth in memorandum to the Attorney General dated 6/20/55.

(4) Referenced memorandum pointed out that [redacted] was apparently not set up to promptly handle the volume of teletype communications during Operation Alert 1955. There is enclosed a memorandum to the Attorney General with copies of Messrs. Rogers, Tompkins, and Airhart setting forth this problem. The Department is submitting the report for all agencies within the Department on Operation Alert 1955 to the Office of Defense Mobilization.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the enclosed memorandum go forth to the Attorney General.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN *lvb*

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT *ahb*

SUBJECT: OPERATION ALERT 1955  
(June 15, 16, and 17, 1955)

DATE: July 6, 1955

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Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
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Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
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Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. John Airhart, Relocation Coordinator of the Department, called me at 11:35 a.m. today (7/6) to advise that the report of Mr. Boleyn concerning the Bureau's part in Operation Alert 1955 had been received at the Department. (Mr. Boleyn was the [redacted] representative who accompanied us to [redacted].) Mr. Airhart said that the report was highly complimentary and that it was going directly to the Attorney General. Mr. Airhart thought we would like to know.

You will recall that Mr. Boleyn displayed to us a copy of the contemplated report he was going to send in and made several changes at our suggestion.

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cc--Mr. Boardman  
cc--Mr. Belmont  
cc--Mr. McArdle

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: June 21, 1955

FROM : Quinn Tamm

SUBJECT:

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 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Yesterday, while having luncheon with Edmund F. Mansure, Administrator of General Services Administration, he mentioned to me how impressed he was with the Bureau's participation in Operation Alert. He stated that in his capacity he had an opportunity to view a lot of the problems and the answers to problems submitted by various agencies and it appeared to him the Bureau had a very carefully conceived and very carefully worked-out plan that presented excellent problems and that problems presented to the Bureau had been excellently handled.

He stated that this was in contrast to other agencies which did not seem to be as well prepared. He specifically mentioned [redacted] and stated that his reaction to [redacted]'s participation was that they were "asinine."

I thought you would be interested in hearing of this.

1 - Mr. Belmont  
 1 - Mr. Mohr

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1. It is good to note reaction to our participation in Operation Alert -  
 2. I also note [redacted] is doing constant work & that is most gratifying.

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TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN *LB*

FROM : A. H. BELMONT *9*

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - OPERATION ALERT 1955  
(MARTIAL LAW)

DATE: June 28, 1955

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Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
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SA [redacted] of the San Francisco Office, pursuant to prior Bureau authority, was in attendance in a liaison capacity at [redacted]

[redacted], during Operation Alert 1955. SA [redacted] advised that the simulated declaration of Martial Law by the President on June 16 came as a complete surprise to [redacted]

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[redacted], in a summary relative to declaration of Martial Law pointed out that the President declared this simulated Martial Law only after he determined it essential to the national interest and to permit the Government to operate until Congress could come into session and normal channels of Government re-established. The summary points out that the President may require certain action on the part of agencies of the Federal Government as well as state and local Governments who may be refusing to cooperate with neighboring areas which are under an attack.

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It is further pointed out that a state of Martial Law authorizes Federal, State or local Governments to intercede and order necessary actions in behalf of the nation's welfare and permits the President to appoint responsible persons to act for him in the administration of relief, support and protective measures at the State and local level if this becomes necessary because of the lack of action by those in charge; a state of military law provides a uniformity of emergency law throughout the nation.

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- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Whitson
- 1 - Mr. Cox
- 1 - Mr. McArdle
- 1 - Section Tickler

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By letter 6-23-55 the Bureau asked the Department of Justice exactly what action the Department plans to take if Martial Law is declared in an actual emergency.

ACTION:

For information.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN *7-13-55*

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - EVACUATION

DATE: July 6, 1955

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 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

The following deal primarily with the status of unfinished items being considered in connection with Bureau relocation:

## I. Communications

(a) Microwave - The ~~completion of the~~ cable connecting the microwave station with [redacted] is not completed. The Marine Corps which is making this installation is making every effort for expeditious completion. b7E

(b) Radio - The relocation of [redacted] radio stations to [redacted] is progressing. The buildings are near completion and the contract has been let for the erection of the antenna fields at the new sites. b7E

## II. Emergency Electrical System - Justice Building

Emergency electrical system to supply Bureau with emergency lighting in the offices of the Director, Mr. Tolson, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Boardman, certain portions of the Domestic Intelligence Division, the switchboard, teletype machines and radio is to be completed by July 11, 1955.

## III. Emergency Evacuation of Key Personnel

Most recent information indicates [redacted] will be made available to evacuate [redacted] key Government officials. The Attorney General, the Director and Assistant Attorney General Tompkins are to be included among the [redacted] individuals. b7E

## IV. Emergency Payroll Procedures

The broad Treasury emergency payroll procedure received 6-9-55. This procedure has been reviewed and a draft of both

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- 1 - Mr. Boardman *W*
- 1 - Mr. Belmont *re 6/11/55*
- 1 - Mr. Nichols
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Parsons
- 1 - Mr. Harbo, attention Mr. Sloan
- 1 - Mr. McArdle
- 1 - Section tickler

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payroll and voucher procedures for the FBI has been prepared. However, certain phases of the over-all plan must be cleared with the Department of Justice, Treasury Department, and General Accounting Office. Administration Division giving careful attention to this matter and contemplates completion of Bureau plan by August 1, 1955.

V. Destruction of Files

No system more desirable than burning has been devised. Laboratory is continuing to follow this matter.

ACTION:

(1) The Domestic Intelligence Division will continue to expedite the location of a new relocation site.

(2) The Laboratory will continue its efforts to expedite the completion of the installation of [ ] radio equipment at [ ] and will continue its efforts to find the most desirable means of destroying large volumes of records.

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(3) The Administrative Division will continue its efforts to complete an emergency packaged payroll-voucher plan by 8-1-55.

(4) SAC, [ ], will continue his efforts to obtain an early completion date for the installation of the cable connecting microwave station with [ ].

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(5) All incomplete phases of above-listed will be followed closely and another report submitted 8-1-55.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. BOARDMAN

DATE: June 15, 1955

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

CC - Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. McArdle  
Mr. RoachSUBJECT: WAR PLANS - OPERATION ALERT 1955  
(June 15, 16, 17)

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In my memorandum of June 14, captioned as above, I pointed out that the question of a code system between the FBI and the Department of Justice had been raised with John Airhart, Relocation Coordinator of the Department, on several occasions during the past six weeks. The Director noted, "Did we ever put in writing to the Department the need for a code? H."

The question of the need for a code for confidential communications between the FBI and the Department was not put in writing to the Department. Mr. Airhart advised on each occasion this question was brought up that their information was that [redacted] was preparing a code system which would enable them to code messages as needed and that it was expected shortly. Mr. Airhart further advised that insofar as he was concerned there would be no need for a code between the FBI and the Department for any test operation since he had no intention of permitting any message to be sent over the communications network during a test operation which would require coding. He felt that security was of paramount importance and that there should be nothing put over a communication system which could in any way be interpreted to constitute a security risk.

Mr. Airhart further advised that if some situation did arise which would indicate the need for a coded message during a test operation, this would be taken care of by direct courier service between the agencies. As recently as June 14, 1955, Mr. Airhart was questioned as to when the Department was going to have a code system which would permit coded communications between the two agencies. He replied that [redacted] was supposed to supply the cryptographic system for the Department.

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Referenced memorandum also stated that coded messages could be sent between the FBI and the Department by sending the coded message to [redacted] where the message would be decoded and recorded in the cryptographic system known to the Department. The Director noted, "This isn't clear to me. Why should they be breaking a code in order to get proper messages intended for us? H."

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BOARDMAN

June 15, 1955

Re: War Plans - Operation Alert 1955  
(June 15, 16, 17)

The code pad which the Department now has for the purposes of this test exercise is for operations between the Department and [redacted] only. This means that the Department can communicate with [redacted] only and with no other agency, including the FBI. If the Department wishes to communicate with another agency, such as the FBI, the message must first be sent to [redacted] where it is decoded and then re-encoded in a system held by that other agency. The FBI code, on the other hand, can be used for communications not only with [redacted] but with all other agencies which have [redacted]. The Department does not have [redacted].

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The Cryptographic Section of the Laboratory Division has advised that if the Department can obtain [redacted] from [redacted] [redacted], the Bureau could prepare unique rotors and key lists which would permit the FBI to communicate directly with the Department, much as we now do with our field offices, in a secure system so that no one else would be able to read our messages.

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There is attached a memorandum to the Attorney General with a copy for Deputy Attorney General Rogers and Assistant Attorney General Tompkins, setting forth the need for a cryptographic system between the FBI and the Department of Justice.

In response to Mr. Nichols' inquiry as to delay in receipt of Annex 3, Part B of Office of Defense Mobilization (ODM) instruction dated April 28, 1955, referenced memoranda pointed out this annex was transmitted to the Department by cover memorandum dated 6/9/55. The date of 4/28/55 refers to the basic release of ODM. The exact date Annex 3 was prepared is unknown. Mr. Tolson inquired, "But why didn't our liaison know about it? T." The Director noted, "I would like to know. Our liaison at ODM seems to be dismally ineffective. H."

Justice has always represented the entire Department and its component agencies at all meetings covering the plans in question. The ODM Inter-Agency Committee is made up of the heads of 31 agencies or

*This should have been done originally. I have again & again asked that matters with what be placed in*

*writing so Bureau may be on record.*

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Re: War Plans - Operation Alert 1955  
(June 15, 16, 17)

their designated representatives. Justice represents the FBI. Many of the ODM documents we have ultimately received concerning Operation Alert 1955 have been received by the Bureau only after Liaison has determined through contacts that they exist and as a result has made special arrangements to receive them from ODM direct. Frequently the documents we have been able to obtain by this special request and off-the-record, have been documents previously furnished to the Department two or three weeks prior to the time of the Bureau request. In only a few instances has Justice indicated the documents were in their possession. The ODM communications manual being used in Operation Alert 1955 was obtained from the Department only after a special request was made for this document. The Bureau had no knowledge that such a document existed until after Liaison had ascertained from ODM through contacts that there existed a communications manual to be used for Operation Alert 1955.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached memorandum to the Attorney General, with copies for Messrs. Rogers and Tompkins, go forth.

*R* *What steps do you suggest we take so as to be kept properly & promptly advised? It is obvious that Dept will not do it.*

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

FROM : R. R. Roach

SUBJECT: GENERAL JOSEPH M. SWING

DATE: June 27, 1955

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 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
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On June 23, 1955, during a casual conversation with former SA [redacted], who is now with the Department of Justice, Liaison Agent [redacted] learned of the following interesting information concerning General Swing during Operation Alert:

General Swing reportedly ordered [redacted]

[redacted] for the three day period June 15, 16, 17, [redacted]

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[redacted] He reportedly advised the Attorney General later that [redacted]

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Former Agent [redacted] said that he was present during this conversation and that the Attorney General berated General Swing stating that the "Operation Alert" was supposed to be accomplished without fanfare and that [redacted]

[redacted] did not reach [redacted] until Justice personnel were leaving [redacted] on Friday afternoon when the exercise was completed. General Swing was reported to have been [redacted]

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 1 - Liaison Section  
 1 - Mr. [redacted]

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The Attorney General is reported to be very provoked with General Swing over this incident which obviously cost the government a good deal of money and was ordered by General Swing on his own initiative for his own convenience.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

V. [Signature] [Signature] [Signature]  
[Signature] [Signature]

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

DATE: June 23, 1955

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

cc Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Roach  
Mr. McArdleSUBJECT: WAR PLANS RELOCATION SITE

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Reference is made to my memorandum of June 21, 1955, relating to a new relocation site for both the Bureau and the Department near [redacted]. The Director noted that we should expedite the location of a usable site.

Special Agent John F. Sullivan made a survey of [redacted] on June 21. Detailed memorandum attached. This memorandum reflects [redacted] will accommodate, with its present facilities, 1,000 persons and therefore would be adequate for both the Bureau and the Department provided we had the entire facility. It is noted, however, that [redacted]

[redacted] have made inquiry as to the availability of [redacted] for their use. It would, therefore, appear that there is little chance that we can obtain [redacted] for our exclusive use, and that, at best, it will take a lengthy period to resolve whether it would be available to us.

Special Agent [redacted] made a check of the general area in [redacted]. Detailed memorandum attached. It was determined that there are a number of [redacted] throughout this area such as [redacted]

[redacted]. There are also a number of [redacted] in the area which appear suitable from the standpoint of accommodations for a relocation site, such as [redacted]

The facilities at the above [redacted] were not examined in detail.

Our experience to date has indicated that [redacted] are not suitable for a relocation site due to our lack of control over them; availability of them for test purposes and so forth. Our examination has also indicated that our best bet for a relocation facility would be in Government quarters, such as [redacted]

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Memo Mr. Belmont to Mr. Boardman

military reservations or areas under control of Governmental agencies outside the military. Another very satisfactory solution would, of course, be the purchase or lease of facilities for our use.

It is believed that we should make an orderly, systematic and concentrated check on Government facilities already available and sites which could be purchased or leased by us. With reference to Government facilities, we could do this by determining through inquiry by Liaison the Governmental facilities available [redacted].

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This inquiry would be made of the military services, as well as civilian agencies, such as General Services Administration, and we would endeavor to obtain full facts regarding these potential sites here in Washington which would permit us to pick and concentrate on sites considered most desirable. At the same time, we can have our SAC's survey their respective areas, not only listing desirable Governmental facilities, but also furnishing the Bureau information on any sites that we could possibly purchase or lease. It is believed we should make inquiry both here in Washington and through the SACs due to our desire to expedite the finding of a suitable relocation site.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Through liaison we are endeavoring to ascertain all Government facilities located [redacted], together with all information regarding them in order that we can concentrate on the most logical sites.
2. If you approve, we will telephonically instruct the SACs [redacted] to have a complete survey made within their respective territories. [redacted] in order not only to locate the best Government facilities for our purpose, but also to locate any sites that might be purchased or leased by us.

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OK  
You have gotten no where.  
We must locate a place &  
do so promptly. Stop this  
"baker war" & get results. H

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

DATE: June 30, 1955

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - NEW RELOCATION SITE

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

The results of a survey by [redacted]

[redacted] now completed regarding a possible relocation site for the Bureau [redacted]. Recommended sites by the field offices being checked with the various Government agencies through Liaison for purpose of ascertaining their facilities that could be made available to the Bureau at this time for use as a permanent installation.

General Services Administration has just located their register and furnished data to Bureau Liaison Agent concerning all land owned by Federal Government in [redacted]. This land being checked through the respective Government agencies to determine what facilities could be made available to the Bureau.

[redacted] area for any and all possible relocation sites. Office of Secretary of Defense contacted and requested to make this survey available to Bureau. The Departments of Agriculture, Interior, and the Veterans Administration presently checking their records to determine if they control any land and facilities that could be [redacted]

Results of all of above surveys should be in Bureau possession in immediate future. Upon receipt of same, recommendations will be submitted as to which sites would appear to be most suitable to Bureau needs and at the same time recommendations will be submitted for approval for a physical inspection of these sites.

ACTION:

This matter is being pursued vigorously and no area [redacted] is being overlooked as a possible relocation site for the Bureau.

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- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Section tickler
- 1 - A. B. Fipp

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 a Belmont memo Boardman to Belmont  
 dated 7/8/55. ABF/PYP/de.

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*22 If Boardman and Belmont don't get better action than this, the war will be over before we get off the ground*

*Certainly agree. Things improving out.*

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Sizoo	_____
Mr. Winterrowd	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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FBI [redacted] (67-248)

6/28/55

DIRECTOR

ATTENTION: DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

RELOCATION SITES. Retelcon Inspector KEAY to ASAC [redacted]  
[redacted] Office, 6-27-55, and telcon ASAC [redacted] to Inspector KEAY, 6-28-55.

Re possible relocation sites, [redacted]

[redacted], the following data were obtained by SA [redacted]

[redacted], In addition to consideration of [redacted]

[redacted], the following are noted:

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Approved: 21 JUL 1955

Special Agent in Charge

Mr. Belmont

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. PARSONS

DATE: 6/27/55

FROM : T. D. Beach

SUBJECT: RADIATION SURVEY METERS

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 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont /  
 Harbo /  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

In compliance with the recommendations contained in the memorandum from Mr. Parsons to Mr. Belmont dated June 17, 1955, captioned "Operations Alert 1955, Radioactivity Detection Meter, Problem Number 20, Summary," the attached information and instructions relative to Radiation Survey Meters has been prepared for dissemination to all offices in the form of a letter to all Special Agents in Charge.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this information be disseminated in a letter to all Special Agents in Charge.

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 For S.O.G.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

DATE: July 11, 1955

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: BUREAU RELOCATION SITE

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 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

In an effort to resolve the question of our relocation site, Belmont and Parsons drove up to [redacted]

[redacted] on Sunday, July 10, 1955. We talked to the Resident Agent at [redacted].

We looked at [redacted] and it appears to be entirely unfit for our use.

We went over with the Resident Agent at [redacted] what there might be available in [redacted], without coming up with anything practical.

Leaving [redacted], we stopped at [redacted]

[redacted]. This is a large establishment on which additional buildings could be erected. [redacted]

At [redacted], I was impressed with the layout of [redacted] as it has a number of buildings which seem to be in good condition, including [redacted]. We could allocate certain of these buildings to the Department of Justice and retain the rest, thus having complete control of our own relocation operations, yet immediate proximity to the Department.

Attachment

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cc--Mr. Boardman  
 cc--Mr. D. J. Parsons  
 cc--Mr. Mohr  
 cc--Mr. Belmont  
 cc--Mr. Keay  
 cc--Mr. Fipp

11 Copy sent to Mr. Tolson.

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Memo to Boardman from Belmont  
Re: BUREAU RELOCATION SITE

7/11/55

[redacted] is a stone's throw from [redacted].  
At one time we had our microwave tower on [redacted]. On the  
theory that we could set up our communications, store our supplies  
and records, and create sufficient space to handle [redacted]  
persons during relocation tests, we instructed the Resident Agent  
to ascertain the size of [redacted] and any other [redacted]  
in the immediate vicinity of [redacted], so that we could readily  
run a cable from [redacted] to [redacted] and be in a position to  
take over [redacted] in an emergency.

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The Resident Agent called me on the afternoon of July 11  
to advise as follows, after he had checked the tax records and  
made careful inquiry through the postmaster and contacts con-  
cerning [redacted]:

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Memo to Boardman from Belmont  
Re: BUREAU RELOCATION SITE

7/11/55

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#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that we have a representative of the Administrative Division, the Laboratory, and the Domestic Intelligence Division proceed to [redacted] to contact [redacted] listed above, to ascertain whether they would be willing to lease [redacted] to store our supplies and to provide working space for a minimum of [redacted] and a maximum of [redacted] personnel. It may be that [redacted] would be interested in such a deal from an investment standpoint.

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If the owners are not willing to build additional buildings, we should ascertain whether they are willing to lease the land, subject to the additional buildings being built thereon.

If they are not willing to lease, we should get a figure as to sales price.

The goal here is to locate a relocation site where in an emergency we can handle [redacted] people and that a portion of space in the immediate vicinity of the relocation site be available for relocation tests, capable of handling up to [redacted] people, with a minimum of [redacted]. [redacted] appears to be a satisfactory relocation site. If we can set up [redacted] for relocation test purposes, storage and communications center, it may be the answer to our problem.

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Attached is a sheet setting out what appear to be the factors to be considered in connection with a relocation site.

*This is utterly silly & impractical. What you are suggesting is procuring a "stand by" relocation site. And how you*

*appears to get the money for such a thing I don't know.*



The following factors should be borne in mind in connection with a joint Bureau-Department relocation site:

1. In a real emergency, we should be able to occupy the site immediately, with all necessary communications facilities already set up so that we can start operating at once.

2. The Bureau has [ ] essential persons to relocate; the Department advises it has about [ ], including [ ]. In an emergency it may be necessary to augment these figures; therefore, the relocation site should be capable of handling at least [ ] persons.

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3. It is not essential that we control all the space capable of handling [ ] people, except in an actual emergency. In fact, unless we could justify such space by using it continuously today, we could be subjected to criticism for upkeep of facilities not being used.

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4. Setting up a room or two under our control at the relocation site, in which we could store our equipment and records under proper security, would be sufficient except that we may expect additional relocation tests. We would, of course, need warehouse space for our supplies. As we are faced with additional relocation tests, we must have under our continuous control sufficient space to handle personnel during a relocation test.

5. We had [ ] people at [ ] in the recent test. Only [ ] people were there at any one time, as the others rotated. John Airhart of the Department advised that the Department and [ ] together had [ ] personnel at [ ] during the test. He feels this could be cut down. It appears then that we could get by with space during a relocation test for between [ ] and [ ] personnel, for the Department and the Bureau combined.

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6. Our need, therefore, is to locate a relocation site where in an emergency we can handle [ ] people and that a portion of space in the immediate vicinity of the relocation site be available for relocation tests capable of handling up to [ ] people, with a minimum of [ ].

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman *LVB*DATE: June 23, 1955 *W. H. ...*FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont *AH*

SUBJECT: • WAR PLANS - RELOCATION SITE

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

SYNOPSIS:

*Bureau War Plans - Emergency Headquarters For S.O.G.*

\_\_\_\_\_ surveyed June 21, 1955, as possible relocation center for Bureau in the event \_\_\_\_\_ does not relocate there. Results of survey set forth. Availability and/or space available depends upon \_\_\_\_\_. If \_\_\_\_\_ is abandoned and \_\_\_\_\_ does not use it, facilities are more than adequate for work and living quarters of Bureau personnel, as approximately \_\_\_\_\_ could be accommodated. If \_\_\_\_\_ is abandoned and \_\_\_\_\_ relocates there, facilities would not be adequate without some construction. If \_\_\_\_\_ continues and \_\_\_\_\_ does not relocate there, minimum or emergency facilities are available for short period. If \_\_\_\_\_ is curtailed and \_\_\_\_\_ does not relocate there, facilities would be adequate for Bureau's purposes.

RECOMMENDATION:

Since \_\_\_\_\_ is considering relocation at \_\_\_\_\_ and facilities are not sufficient even for \_\_\_\_\_ without building, it does not appear at present that their plans would be resolved in the immediate future. Likewise, in view of \_\_\_\_\_ it does not appear that the future status of \_\_\_\_\_ will be immediately determined by \_\_\_\_\_. Since the time element is important in obtaining a relocation area for the Bureau, it is not deemed advisable at this time to give further consideration to \_\_\_\_\_. Further efforts, therefore, are being made to find another relocation point. Liaison will explore with \_\_\_\_\_ to determine whether there are any other suitable areas. \_\_\_\_\_

Liaison will maintain contact with \_\_\_\_\_ to determine final disposition with respect to \_\_\_\_\_

ENCLOSURE

JES:JH

- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. McArdle
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 2 - Mr. Sullivan

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Memorandum for Mr. Boardman

DETAILS:

Reference is made to the memorandum of Mr. Hennrich to Mr. Belmont dated June 17, 1955, in the above-captioned matter, in which it is stated that [ ] has considered but had no definite plans to relocate at [ ] [ ]; that they will have to build additional quarters if they go there and if the FBI were to also go with them construction would have to take place for the Bureau's purposes, and there was some question concerning availability of land for such new building. It was recommended that Liaison would follow with [ ] in this matter and Mr. Tolson noted that [ ] should be surveyed to see whether the facilities would fit the Bureau's needs in the event [ ] did not relocate there. The Director agreed to Mr. Tolson's suggestion.

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On June 21, 1955, Liaison Agent John F. Sullivan visited [ ] [ ] and the following observations as a result of his survey is set forth:

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6-28-55

SAC letter # 55-43

(G) "OPERATION ALERT - 1955" - AVAILABILITY OF ALL SPECIAL AGENTS IN CHARGE -- I want to point out my deep concern with the manifest indifference on the part of [redacted] Special Agents in Charge who were unavailable when their offices were telephonically contacted at the start of "Operation Alert - 1955" or subsequently in connection with a test problem. It had been indicated in advance the time when the operation would take effect, yet it was impossible to get in touch with the ranking officials of [redacted] of our field offices. The excuses given for unavailability, such as the taking of annual leave, the making of speeches, and the adherence to a strict schedule of obtaining meals, seem to me to involve matters of most secondary importance with relation to the test being made. b7E

Such an attitude on the part of officials will not be tolerated in the future, but will be met with immediate removal of the official manifesting such indifference.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: July 13, 1955

FROM : L. V. BOARDMAN

SUBJECT: ATTACK WARNING CHANNELS AND  
PROCEDURES FOR CIVILIANS

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
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Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
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Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

In connection with the brief prepared for your use for a discussion with the Attorney General today on Department war plans, you inquired concerning the methods of notification of the various alerts.

7-8-55  
Commander Beach, the Naval Aide to the President, has advised that, if the President desires the departments and agencies to relocate prior to [REDACTED] b7E  
[REDACTED], the departments and agencies will be notified by the President's Staff in the most practical manner under the existing circumstances. Beach stated no further details are available at this time.

In the event of [REDACTED] b7E  
the relocation plans will be automatically activated. Relocation will be automatically activated by the buzzer and siren system which will sound a steady three-minute blast. In the case of Washington, D. C., this will also automatically set off evacuation of the city. (Approved in NSC 5513/1)

In the event of [REDACTED] b7E  
the buzzer and siren system will sound in a rising and falling manner and the entire city is expected to take immediate cover. (Approved in NSC 5513/1)

The Bureau is tied in with the Air Force Command Post in the Pentagon and should receive [REDACTED] b7E  
a very few minutes before they are sounded generally. Upon receiving this notification from the Air Force Command Post, either Mr. Belmont or the official acting for him will notify you, Mr. Tolson, the Attorney General, me, and Mr. Hennrich. From Mr. Hennrich, the information will be disseminated down

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1-Mr. Boardman  
1-Mr. Belmont  
1-Mr. Sanders  
1-Mr. McArthur  
1-Section Ticker

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*Memorandum for The Director*

the chain of command within the Bureau. Mr. Keay, upon receipt of the information from Mr. Hennrich, will advise the first two of the following individuals who are available in the Department: Messrs. Rogers, Tompkins, Olney, Burger, Rankin, Barnes, Holland, Townsend, Morton, and Sobeloff. In addition to the telephonic notification to the Attorney General of the receipt of [redacted], two Bureau Agents have been designated to relocate the Attorney General if he so desires. b7E

ACTION:

The foregoing is for your information.

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- 1-Mr. Boardman
- 1-Mr. Sanders
- 1-Section Tickler

June 14, 1955

VIA LIAISON

Honorable James S. Lay, Jr.  
Executive Secretary  
National Security Council  
Executive Office Building  
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. Lay:

I have received your memorandum of June 13, 1955, advising that, at the direction of the President, I have been invited to attend a briefing by the Office of Defense Mobilization and a meeting of the National Security Council to be held at [REDACTED], beginning at 9:30 a.m., June 16, 1955.

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This note is to advise that I plan to attend the meetings on June 16, 1955.

Sincerely yours,

Chairman  
Interdepartmental Intelligence Conference

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 7/11/55

FROM :

SAC, [ ] (66-145)

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SUBJECT:

~~BUREAU~~  
 WAR PLANS EMERGENCY HEADQUARTERS FOR  
 SURVEY FOR NEW RELOCATION SITE S.O.G.

ReBuAirtel 6/21/55 instructing that Mr. [ ] be  
 recontacted.

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I recontacted [ ] and informed him of the Bureau's desires  
 concerning [ ]. He was very friendly and agreed  
 to take no action of any nature and to consider the matter extremely  
 confidential.

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1cc retained liaison  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson ✓

DATE: 6/30/55

FROM : L. B. Nichols ✓

SUBJECT:

BUREAU WAR PLANS -  
COMMUNICATION FACILITIES  
AT [REDACTED]

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Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
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Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

During the recent Operation Alert, the equipment in the Teletype Room at [REDACTED] was adequate. Certain minor items such as the need for an electric clock with Greenwich civil time dial and various rubber stamps for interpreting coded inter-agency address symbols and traffic routing symbols were noted. We are obtaining these items.

The space, however, in the Teletype Room is inadequate for any additional machine equipment. We have been advised that the teletype machines to be associated with the micro-wave network are now estimated to be four micro-wave teletypes. In order to accommodate this additional equipment, it will be necessary to shift the Teletype Room to a larger room than now occupied. We propose to use the room now occupied by the switchboard at [REDACTED] and to shift the switchboard equipment into the room presently occupied by teletype. No additional switchboard equipment is anticipated and the space will be sufficient in the Teletype Room to accommodate the switchboard equipment and the micro-wave switchboard equipment.

We have ascertained from Mr. [REDACTED] of the Central Telephone Company at [REDACTED] that it will cost approximately \$600 to move the switchboard from its present location into the Teletype Room and, of course, the teletypes will have to be moved from their present location into the room now utilized by the switchboard. In addition, we have found that our present switchboard arrangement allows work space for two operators. It actually consists of two manual switchboards installed side by side with all incoming trunk jacks appearing on the left.

cc: [REDACTED]

Mr. Mohr

Mr. Belmont (Attention McArdle)

Mr. Wherry

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Memorandum to Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols,

6/30/55

RE: BUREAU WAR PLANS-COMMUNICATION FACILITIES AT [REDACTED]

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board only and the extension jacks spread out in chronological order across both boards. The extension jacks, as well as the trunk line jacks, appear in only one place. This arrangement, of necessity, requires the operators to pass switchboard cords in front of each other on approximately 50% of the trunk-extension switchboard code combinations.

This arrangement becomes awkward and cumbersome when a high volume of calls are made and especially so when calls from one [REDACTED] extension to another must be handled manually by the operator. We have gone into this problem with the telephone company. There is no other way to handle such calls without dial equipment and Mr. [REDACTED] has estimated that it would cost him approximately \$25,000 to purchase the dial equipment and install it and he would have to require the Bureau to tie itself up on a five year lease for such an arrangement.

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I do not think that we could justify this expensive equipment in the building standing idle except during those short periods of day or two actual test operations that are conducted. The best solution to the problem would be to rewire the manual boards in order that we can have a two position multiple type switchboard. This means that on a multiple type board all trunk lines and all extensions appear in each operator's position eliminating the necessity of the operator having to pass cords in front of each other on any trunk-extension combination. The cost of multiplying the extension jacks on our presently installed switchboard would be between \$500 and \$600. Mr. [REDACTED] estimates that it would take approximately one week to ten days to do this job. He also states it would take from one and a half to two days to completely move the switchboard and the teletypes, as we proposed above, and recommends that if we are going to multiply the switchboard that we do the work simultaneously with the moving of the equipment. We are in agreement.

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Accordingly, I recommend we authorize Mr. [REDACTED] to immediately make the move of the switchboard to the Teletype Room and the teletype equipment will have to be moved by representatives of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of [REDACTED] to the room presently occupied by the switchboard. We have no alternative here as there is just not enough space. As indicated above, this will cost approximately \$600. Furthermore, I recommend we authorize [REDACTED] to multiply the extensions on the switchboard at an approximate cost of from \$500 to \$600. We will coordinate this move with the representatives of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of [REDACTED] and with the Central Telephone Company at [REDACTED] in order that it can be done simultaneously.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Mr. Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

AIRTEL  
Transmit the following ~~TELETYPE~~ message to: BUREAU (REGULAR MAIL)

FBI, [REDACTED] (66-2366) 7/11/55

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DIRECTOR:

ATTN: L. V. BOARDMAN  
ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR

RE: RELOCATION SITES

Reference is made to my telephone conversations with Assistant to the Director L. V. BOARDMAN on July 9 and 11, 1955.

Efforts were made to locate a suitable relocation site at [REDACTED]. However, it was determined that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Inquiries were made at [REDACTED], and it was determined that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. It is not felt that such buildings would be suitable for a relocation site.

At [REDACTED], it was determined that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

There is no space available in this building, and it is not felt that it would be suitable for a relocation site. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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(3BU, 1PH)

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

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Per \_\_\_\_\_

CC retained Liaison  
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013 ARE ALL MORE PLANS - EMERGENCY HEADQUARTERS FOR S.O.G.

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Transmit the following ~~Teletype~~ message to:

There is a [redacted] located [redacted]  
[redacted], which has a modern administration  
building in a group of other buildings which are [redacted]  
[redacted]. It is  
estimated that about [redacted] people are employed at this  
facility at the present time.

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At [redacted], there is [redacted]  
[redacted]. It was  
determined that there are no extra buildings available at [redacted]  
[redacted].

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[redacted]  
[redacted]. They are crowded for space at the  
present time.

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[redacted], located at [redacted],  
has a building program on at the present time as a result  
of need for space.

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At [redacted], there are [redacted]  
[redacted] and  
[redacted] is undergoing a building expansion program at  
the present time as they are cramped for space.

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[redacted] is located at [redacted]  
[redacted]. However, [redacted]  
[redacted] and there appears to be no extra  
space at the present time.

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It is pointed out that [redacted]  
[redacted]. At the present time, [redacted]  
[redacted] are fully occupied, and they are in the middle  
of a building program at [redacted].

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*CC Mr. Roach*  
*Mr. McAule*  
Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: June 21, 1955

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: JOHN F. MALONE  
 Special Agent in Charge  
 Los Angeles Office  
 NOT ON PROBATION

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

LOS Angeles

BUREAU WAR PLANS Emergency Headquarters for SOG.

Reference is made to my memorandum dated June 20, 1955, setting out results of an availability check of agents in the Los Angeles Office as a part of Operation Alert. My memorandum stated that initial notification from the Bureau was issued to the field regarding the alert on June 3, 1955. The Director inquired, "When did we first learn of proposed Alert at Wash. Hdqts.?"

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The Bureau first learned of the proposed alert through a joint directive of the Office of Defense Mobilization - Federal Civil Defense Administration dated March 17, 1955, which was received by the Bureau several days later, exact date unknown. Upon receipt of this directive, a memorandum was submitted by the Domestic Intelligence Division on April 2, 1955, regarding this alert which was proposed to be held on June 15, 16 and 17, 1955. At that time (April 2, 1955) it was not known whether the Bureau could participate in the alert because of a conflict in the use of the Bureau's relocation site, it being noted that [redacted] had been previously scheduled at [redacted] for June 16 through June 19, 1955. This conflict was subsequently resolved and we advised the Department on April 29, 1955, that the Bureau would participate. At that time we were in the midst of preparing for another war plans' test to be held on May 26, 1955. After the May 26, 1955, test was completed, plans were begun for the operation scheduled for June 15, 16 and 17, 1955.

b7E

The field was first notified by the Bureau that we would participate in the June 15 test by airtel dated June 3, 1955. Subsequently another airtel was sent on June 10, 1955, to the field furnishing instructions regarding the proposed alert and ordering that field offices should be sure their war plans were in shape to handle any special problems which may be assigned them during the test and that field offices should have persons on duty to receive telephone, radio and teletype messages and to transmit replies to [redacted] 24 hours a day during the entire test period.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: JOHN F. MALONE  
Special Agent in Charge  
Los Angeles Office  
NOT ON PROBATION

DATE: June 22, 1955

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Los Angeles

Reference is made to the memorandum from Mr. Mohr to the Director dated June 21, 1955, submitted in answer to the Director's question "When did we first learn of proposed alert at Washington Hdqts? H." On this memorandum the Director noted "Why did it take us from April 29 till June 3 to notify the Field? If we had done so promptly speech commitments & leave schedules could have been readjusted."

The initial information from the Office of Defense Mobilization (ODM) as to Operation Alert 1955 is in a bulletin dated March 22, 1955, received at the Bureau sometime thereafter. This bulletin states "Each agency will participate in the test of its essential functions with the maximum number of personnel scheduled for relocation. This number of personnel will be determined by the head of the agency. Except for the [redacted] area, regional and field operating units where they have existing plans may be brought into the play for the relocation exercise, otherwise these units will participate in the Civil Defense exercise." This bulletin also stated "tentative schedule for release of operational plans for the test is July 1." There is no mention any place in the ODM releases relative to Operation Alert 1955 to indicate how broad this test would be. The only city mentioned any place in the releases is [redacted]

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It was not until May 31, 1955, that the Washington City Police Service reported that it was ascertained that there would be Civil Defense tests in 50 other locations. On June 1, Liaison ascertained that Federal Civil Defense Administration had not advised and did not intend to advise some of the cities which were to participate in this test operation, but rather they were to participate had not been advised were to participate on a surprise basis, and that the extent of Civil Defense participation would be determined by the state and local Civil Defense authorities. The Bureau never received a list of the cities which were to participate in this exercise.

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- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. McArdle
- 1 - Sect. Tick.

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Memorandum to Mr. Boardman

The information relative to possible participation of 50 cities in the Civil Defense test was recorded in my memorandum to you dated June 1, 1955. It was recommended at that time that an air-tel be dispatched to each SAC. This air-tel was dispatched to the field under date of June 3, 1955.

As preparations for Operation Alert, 1955, gathered headway by O. D. M. we gleaned information that there might be problems presented by O. D. M. or other agencies which would involve the Bureau. Consequently to protect the Bureau's interest, on June 10, 1955, we advised all offices by air-tel that the Bureau would participate in the nationwide test, that they would be contacted sometime on June 15, and instructed each office to have persons on duty to receive telephone, radio and teletype messages and transmit replies twenty-four hours per day during the entire three-day period. On June 14 all offices were instructed to staff the resident agency nearest their relocation site for the entire period and if they received inquiry or test problems from properly authenticated O. D. M. or Civil Defense officials they should be circumspect in their reply and immediately contact the Bureau relocation site.

It would have eliminated some of the excuses by the field if we had alerted the field earlier.

**ACTION:**

One of the lessons we learned from Operation Alert 1955 is that we cannot depend on the Department to keep us advised in matters of this kind. We are, therefore, exploring the desirability of becoming member of the committees handling Alert procedures so that we can secure prompt and accurate information in advance.

*W. V. gmd*  
*Byrd, decide quickly.*  
*Q* *W. J. R.*



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: July 13, 1955

FROM : L. V. Boardman

SUBJECT: RELOCATION SITE

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

General Howard called at 4:55 PM and advised that Walter Yeagley, of the Department, would accompany General Howard. General Howard suggested that Belmont and Nease meet him at 9:00 AM tomorrow morning in the Courtyard and that they will leave for [ ] for the purpose of examining the site. Belmont and Nease are being instructed by me as to the above arrangement.

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 1--Mr. Boardman  
 1--Mr. Belmont  
 1--Mr. Nease  
 1--FCH

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Review War Plans - Emergency Headquarters for S. 6.

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 FCH

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: July 13, 1955

FROM : L. V. Boardman *LVB*

SUBJECT: RELOCATION SITE

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Boardman	_____
Nichols	_____
Belmont	_____
Mohr	_____
Parsons	_____
Rosen	_____
Tamm	_____
Sizoo	_____
Winterrowd	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Holloman	_____
Gandy	_____

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I telephonically contacted Belmont, who is available to examine the site at [ ] on either July 14 or 15. I gave him the specific instructions you told me to and immediately thereafter called General Howard, Immigration & Naturalization Service, and told him that Belmont would be available to go tomorrow morning or at any time on Thursday or Friday of this week. (Gordon Nease will accompany Belmont.)

General Howard stated that would be fine; that he would get in touch with Tompkins and see whether Tompkins' representative was available to go on the morning of the 14th. General Howard stated he would call me back as to final arrangements.

I will advise you concerning the final arrangements.

LVB:eff (5)

1-Mr. Boardman

1-Mr. Belmont

1-Mr. Nease

1-FCH

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Bureau War Plans - Emergency Headquarters For S.O.C.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN *Wm*  
7/20

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - SURVEY FOR NEW  
RELOCATION SITE

DATE: July 15, 1955

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Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
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Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

By airtel dated July 11, 1955, SAC [redacted] of the [redacted] Office furnished the results of his survey concerning his effort to locate a suitable relocation site for the Bureau [redacted] [redacted]. Included in this survey was information concerning [redacted] that were located in [redacted].

SAC [redacted] ascertained that [redacted] were [redacted] located at [redacted]. He stated that at the present time [redacted] is undergoing a building expansion program and [redacted] is located [redacted].

It is noted that according to Mr. [redacted], Relocation Officer, Office of Defense Mobilization (ODM), [redacted] is not in a target area and based on estimates of the recent evacuation test was not in the fall-out area. He pointed out that [redacted] has not been, to ODM's knowledge, surveyed by any agency in the Government. Mr. [redacted] strongly recommended that the Bureau consider this as a possible relocation site.

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1 - Mr. Boardman  
1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Keay  
1 - sect. tick.  
1 - Mr. Woods  
1 - Mr. Tupper

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*Memorandum Belmont to Boardman*

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[REDACTED]

*We are instructing the Resident Agent at [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] this afternoon to explore discreetly with [REDACTED]*

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*the possibility of the Bureau utilizing their facilities as a relocation site, including utilizing them for tests. No commitments, of course, will be made. The Bureau will be informed as to these possibilities.*

*ACTION*

*You will be immediately informed of the results of this survey by the Resident Agent at [REDACTED].*

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

DATE: July 8, 1955

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS SURVEY FOR NEW RELOCATION SITE

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Boardman  
Nichols  
Belmont  
Mohr  
Parsons  
Rosen  
Tamm  
Sizoo  
Winterrowd  
Tele. Room  
Holloman  
Gandy

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The Special Agents in Charge (SAC's) of the [redacted] offices were instructed to make a thorough and complete survey of the territory in their jurisdiction [redacted]. These SAC's were instructed to check on military installations, all areas owned by the US Government and to check any private facilities which the Bureau could get at least in part control of at the present time for use during tests, as well as during an actual emergency. Physical surveys have also been conducted at various [redacted]. Liaison Agents have contacted the various Government agencies in Washington for the purpose of ascertaining all military controlled and occupied land, as well as all land and facilities owned and occupied by civilian departments of the Government. This included [redacted]. Complete summaries of all surveys are available but not attached. However, a general summary is attached for your information.

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The results of the survey are as follows: [redacted]

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- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mrs. Belmont
- 1 - A. J. Baker (Laboratory)
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - Section Ticker
- 1 - A. B. Fipp

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Memorandum to Mr. Boardman

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ANALYSIS OF THE BUREAU'S NEEDS:

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We have made an earnest effort to locate a site adaptable to the Bureau's use. We have not located a satisfactory site. The Bureau and the Department need a site into which we can move at a moments notice for immediate operations. It would not be satisfactory to have to set up a site even partially at the time of an emergency. We expect further relocation tests. Therefore, our site must be capable of immediate occupancy by approximately [ ] people (FBI and Department combined) with room for further expansion if needed. Our ability to move into [ ] at a moments notice exemplifies the desirability of this as contrasted as to having to empty [ ]

Memorandum to Mr. Boardman.

b7E We feel, therefore, that the answer to this problem is to establish [redacted] at the appropriate location. This will provide security, complete control, immediate adaptability & availability for immediate occupancy. It follows that by establishing at our selected relocation site [redacted], we will avoid criticism over the years for an expensive site for operation only during relocation tests or during an actual emergency.

PROPOSAL:

b7E (1) Therefore, we propose that a permanent relocation site for the Bureau and the Department be established by securing an appropriate piece of land, Government owned if possible, in the area [redacted] upon which we would construct the necessary buildings. (2) These buildings would be used on a permanent basis to house [redacted]. We considered the possibility of moving [redacted] however, we understand there would be serious operational difficulties, therefore, we are not suggesting this. It may be possible to move certain other sections of the Bureau to such a relocation site; however, this would require careful study.

b7E I thought [redacted] included [redacted] It is our feeling that the Bureau and the Department of Justice as sensitive agencies should receive immediate consideration as to funds for such a proposal, particularly if the proposal encompasses not only a relocation site but a necessary permanent function of the Bureau at the same time.

We realize that this would cause a delay in securing a relocation site, nevertheless, it is logical and we feel the Bureau can justify its position, particularly, as we can require the Department of Justice to carry the ball to a considerable extent in seeking funds.

b7E Meanwhile, as a temporary stop-gap for this we can fall back on [redacted] in an emergency and if necessary can consider [redacted]

b7E The above is set forth for your consideration. If it is desired, we will of course, immediately press for [redacted]

This is the most pitiful attempt to handle this pressing problem. It would be ludicrous if it wasn't tragic. Nothing has been accomplished & nothing practical suggested. H.

I have just advised to move any portion of the Bureau to the D.C. in order to get a new building & get now you know to do just that. H.

separate attention. H.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: July 8, 1955

FROM : R. R. ROACH

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - SURVEY FOR  
NEW RELOCATION SITE

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The Special Agents in Charge of the [redacted] Offices were instructed to make a complete and thorough survey of the territory in their respective jurisdictions that was [redacted]

[redacted] for purposes of determining a possible relocation site for the Seat of Government. These Special Agents in Charge were instructed to check into [redacted]

[redacted] which would be suitable for the Bureau and which the Bureau could get control of now at least in part so that the area, if selected, would be used not only for storage but for actual test exercises as well as a permanent relocation site. Surveys have been made in addition to the above by Seat of Government personnel in [redacted] that lie within the above-mentioned area. These latter-mentioned places, such as [redacted]

[redacted], as well as others have all been physically examined to determine what possibilities they would present regarding their use by the Bureau.

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In addition, the Liaison Agents of the Bureau have checked [redacted] for whatever land, buildings, or potential sites might be made available to the Bureau. [redacted]

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1 - Mr. Boardman  
1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - A. J. Baker  
1 - [redacted]  
1 - Section tickler  
1 - A. B. Fipp

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For 5.0.0.

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont

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[REDACTED]

It should be born in mind that a relocation site must be such that it can be taken over and occupied by the Bureau and Department evacuees within a matter of one or two hours notice. At the same time it must possess the necessary facilities to sleep and feed all personnel from the Department and the Bureau that would participate in any test exercise as well as the number of people that would have to go in the event of an actual state of emergency. Consequently, places such as [REDACTED] and others to be mentioned below are not considered suitable for the Bureau and the Department's needs. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] could afford space for communications and the storage of records as well as accommodating approximately [REDACTED] persons with working, sleeping, and eating space. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. The only way as mentioned above to appropriately make use of [REDACTED] would be to take it over and have it as a "going concern" immediately available to the Bureau's use, it does not appear feasible under existing conditions.

[REDACTED] was surveyed and considered, but when Bureau Agents inspected the place it was found that the buildings in general would require extensive renovation. Bedding and lavatory facilities were completely inadequate. Also the lighting was considered entirely inadequate and primitive. [REDACTED] has been considered for several years by the Bureau as a potential relocation



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site. [ ] buildings appear to be in fine condition and at present contains [ ]. The draw back concerning [ ] is that [ ] authorities will not grant the Bureau permission to install any outside antennas or use the facilities under any circumstances unless during an actual state of war. We have been denied permission to use it for any test operations. The possibility exists, however, that land could be secured in the vicinity of [ ] and thereon extensive construction could be made of a permanent nature which would house the Bureau's records, communications system, and office space. However, this construction would still not be ample in size to feed and sleep all persons necessary on a test exercise. Again, our construction at this site would be a "going concern" as mentioned above. b7E

Examples of additional [ ] that have been considered are as follows: [ ] b7E

On July 7, 1955, Arthur S. Flemming, Director of Office of Defense Mobilization, advised that he recommended that Government agencies assign groups of employees to work permanently at the agency's actual relocation site. This statement was contained in the Washington Star of July 7, 1955, in which it was stated that this recommendation by Mr. Flemming was disclosed in Mr. Flemming's report to President Eisenhower on "Operation Alert, 1955." According to the article, a White House Summary of Mr. Flemming's report indicated that many sites used during Operation Alert, 1955, were temporary and hence inadequate for prolonged use, while others, such as colleges, were practical only for short test periods during vacation seasons and accordingly he felt that some agencies may find it necessary to select new sites. Mr. Flemming stated that all agencies were being urged to develop plans under which small groups of employees would perform regular year-round duties

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at the agency's relocation site and at the same time be trained to operate the relocation headquarters until employees from their respective Washington headquarters were able to reach them in the event of an attack. [redacted] were taken into consideration including the possibility of securing [redacted] and converting [redacted] into working space. This could be done. However, due to [redacted] no further consideration is being given at this time to [redacted]. b7E

As a result of our surveys, it has been determined that the basic needs for a potential relocation site can be summed up as follows: (1) That we move into a building or group of buildings that are at present a "going concern" which is [redacted] but immediately available to the Bureau at all times upon a moment's notice; (2) at least a part of a "going concern" which the Bureau could take over immediately and as in all cases subject to the exclusive control of the Bureau at all times primarily because of security factors involving our records, coding machines, and communications equipment; (3) taking into account the above basic requirements, it does not appear desirable that the Bureau consider [redacted]. These places would not be immediately ready to occupy, yet might be suitable for a real emergency. b7E

Again, places of this nature would not be available for test purposes inasmuch as they would be occupied by [redacted] and would necessitate our moving them out "within the hour" and setting up complete operations. This latter does not appear feasible. b7E

It would seem that the answer to the Bureau's relocation problem is to have a building or group of buildings that are subject to expansion and absorption for the Bureau as well as the Department of Justice evacuees, and under the Department or Bureau's control and operation at all times. The following three possibilities or combinations thereof, appear to be most appropriate for the Bureau's needs, bearing in mind that the relocation should be [redacted], yet out of the immediate target area. b7E

(1) Moving the Bureau's [redacted] out of [redacted] and construct the necessary buildings. b7E

(2) Construct a [redacted] building. b7E

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(3) Construct a building of ample size and keep it as a "going concern," moving into it some portion of the Seat of Government operations such as [redacted]

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These three possibilities are naturally based on a long-range program. If this program is completed we would have a permanent relocation site as well as a site that would accommodate other Bureau facilities at all times. By keeping this new site as a "going concern" the Bureau would avoid any possible criticism from Congress or others for having a large constructed area idle at all times other than during test exercises or emergency use. (Actually the site would never be completely idle because it would be necessary to have a 24-hour clerical guard force on duty for the purpose of guarding the Bureau's Security Index records, communications facilities, coding machines, etc.) If this long-range program is considered the Bureau could still fall back on [redacted]

[redacted] for use during any test exercise that may be scheduled prior to the completion of this long-range program. In addition, [redacted] could be stripped of all sleeping accommodations and the entire building transformed into office space accommodating approximately [redacted] people. By doing this it would be necessary to contact [redacted] authorities and secure from them on a temporary basis [redacted] that would afford sleeping accommodations for the personnel involved.

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CONCLUSIONS:

We could pursue through high-level conferences [redacted] [redacted] if the Director feels as though the facilities offered as mentioned in the details above would be satisfactory as a Bureau relocation site.

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If, on the other hand, the Director does not believe that [redacted] would be a satisfactory relocation site we could pursue, with the Director's approval, the possibilities of establishing a permanent site on the long-range basis of constructing a building and using [redacted] for emergency purposes until a permanent site is completed.

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*[Handwritten signatures]*

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: July 14, 1955

FROM : MR. R. R. ROACH

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS  
RELOCATION SITE

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Reference is made to your suggestion that we make inquiry with \_\_\_\_\_ in connection with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in connection with \_\_\_\_\_ as possible relocation sites.

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On July 12, 1955, \_\_\_\_\_

advised Liaison that \_\_\_\_\_ does not own

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Concerning the suggestion that \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ was contacted through Liaison on July 12, 1955. He advised that \_\_\_\_\_

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Fipp
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Woods
- 1 - Mr. Daunt

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Memo to Mr. Belmont  
from Mr. Roach

RE: WAR PLANS  
RELOCATION SITE

[Redacted]

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RECOMMENDATION:

Since [Redacted] offer land but no suitable or  
adequate buildings with the exception of [Redacted] which is

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[Redacted] no further consideration will be  
given to them at this time.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

DATE: July 14, 1955

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: RELOCATION SITE

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

In accordance with instructions, Mr. Nease and I accompanied General Howard of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) and Walter Yeagley of the Department to [redacted]

[redacted]  
 today (7-14-55).

LocationCommunications and Transportation

[redacted] There are insufficient telephone lines but it appears this could be remedied easily. There is plenty of ground for radio and other type of communication.

Target AnalysisDescription of [redacted]

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- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Nease
- 1 - Mr. Roach

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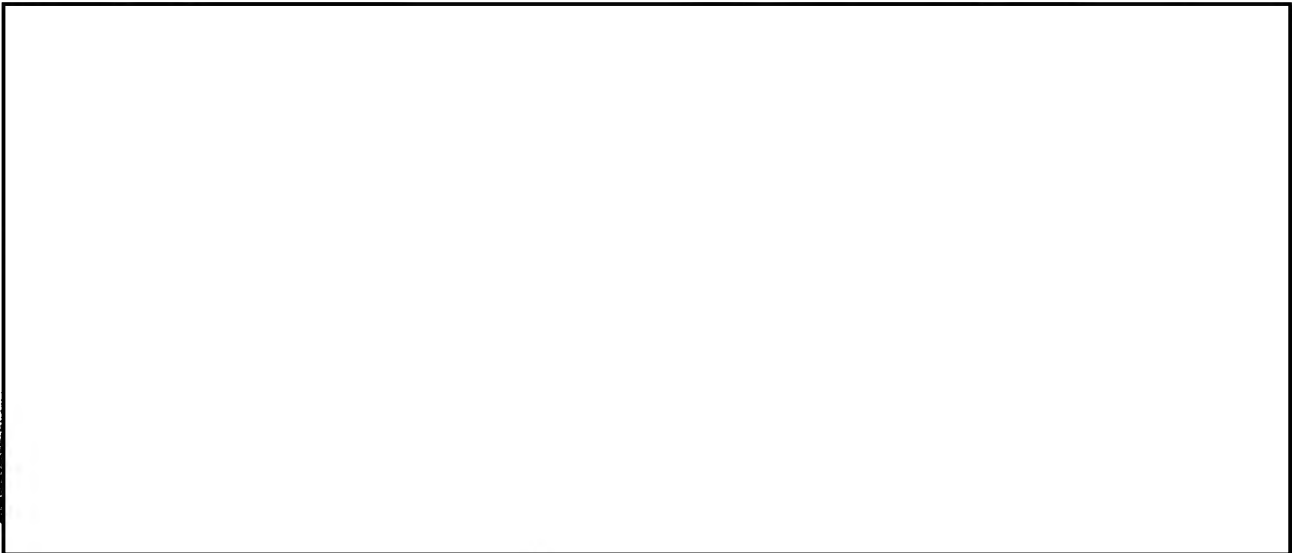
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Memo to Mr. Boardman  
from Mr. Belmont

RE: RELOCATION SITE



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RECOMMENDATION:

We do not believe that the space now vacant at [redacted] is suitable for our relocation site for the following main reasons:

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1. We feel we should plan for facilities to house up to [redacted] minimum of [redacted] people in an emergency. [redacted] would not do this. At the minimum of [redacted] per person, [redacted] would hold approximately [redacted] people. However, with essential partitioning, aisles, file room, etc., this would be materially reduced and I doubt that we could accommodate [redacted] people. To get [redacted], [redacted] would have to be moved.

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2. The space is not desirable space. It is hot, a possible firetrap, would have to be completely renovated and partitioned, would pose a possible ventilation problem, and has inadequate sanitary facilities which, of course, could be added to.

3. The basic purpose of [redacted] is to [redacted]. In an emergency it would be [redacted] and we would be [redacted]. In other words, we would be out of place.

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4. Even though the space was partitioned according to our plans, privacy for the Attorney General and the Director would be difficult.

Memo to Mr. Boardman  
from Mr. Belmont

RE: RELOCATION SITE

5. [REDACTED]

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6. [REDACTED]

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7. From comments passed by General Howard, Mr. Nease and I got the definite impression that General Howard was considering this as a very temporary relocation site. He is, of course, overlooking the fact that because of the essential operations of the Bureau we will have to go to considerable expense to establish the necessary communications to serve us during an emergency.

Enclosed is a proposed letter to the Attorney General, copy for Deputy Attorney General Rogers, setting forth certain of the above observations relative to [REDACTED] as a possible relocation site.

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ADDENDUM - AHB:LL - July 15, 1955 *ok.*  
*H.*

On the morning of July 15, 1955, I spoke to Walter Yeagley, of the Department, and went over with him the points which should be borne in mind in connection with this proposed site. Yeagley stated he felt definitely the site was not desirable and that he had made a note of the same things which had come to our attention. He said he was going to dictate his memorandum this morning and that it would probably get to Mr. Tompkins early this afternoon and to the Attorney General later this afternoon. He said he would call me after he had completed it.

✓ *PT3*



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1-Mr. DJ Parsons  
1-Mr. McArdle  
1-Mr. Roach  
1-Section Tickler

July 20, 1955



Dear [redacted]:

Mr. Roach has informed me of the discussion he had with you yesterday concerning the matter of mutual interest to [redacted] and to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Your willingness to be of additional assistance to us is greatly appreciated. I did not want this opportunity to pass without expressing my personal appreciation for the many courtesies extended in the past and your understanding of current problems.

As mentioned to you yesterday, there are many considerations that have to be taken into account which necessitate temporary deferment of decision of the acceptance of [redacted]'s kind offer at this time. You will, however, be advised promptly when the final decision has been made.

If at any time you feel that this Bureau is in a position to be of service to you, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

Please accept my kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

RRR: [initials]  
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(Cover memo Roach to Belmont, RRR: [initials], 7/20/55,  
"War Plans. Survey for Relocation Site at [redacted]")

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *AB*

FROM : Mr. R. R. Roach *R*

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - RELOCATION SITE

DATE: July 5, 1955

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

With regard to the possibility of the Bureau relocating at [redacted]

[redacted] inquiries were made with [redacted]  
 [redacted] through Liaison. It was determined that [redacted]

[redacted] (not in the prime target area)

are [redacted]

[redacted] There is neither adequate space nor building  
 facilities available at [redacted]

Liaison was advised that although [redacted]

[redacted] neither the temporary nor the  
 permanent buildings would become available in view of the fact that [redacted]

ACTION:

For information.

WFW:jlf *gt*

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Fipp
- 1 - Mr. McArdle
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Woods

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *AB*

FROM : Mr. R. R. Roach *RR*

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - RELOCATION SITE

DATE: July 18, 1955

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

On July 15, 1955, Mr. [redacted] furnished Liaison Agent John F. Sullivan with a map book containing [redacted] Mr. [redacted] advised that he has a [redacted] which contains current information on [redacted] that is, administration buildings, storage and warehouse buildings, housing quarters, etc., together with the square footage occupied and vacant.

With the aid of Mr. [redacted] Sullivan reviewed [redacted] with respect to [redacted] There are set forth below, [redacted] the number and type of administrative buildings, space available, and when necessary [redacted] which would preclude its usage by the Bureau. Storage and warehouse space is not set forth because, as Mr. [redacted] stated, practically all [redacted] could make room for the amount of storage or warehouse space the Bureau needed if it were to occupy [redacted]

*Encl. Detached & Retained  
 Liaison 7/20/55*

Enclosure

JES:jlf

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Keay
- 1 - Mr. Fipp
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont

Mr. [ ] cautioned that [ ] priorities are constantly changing; therefore, if the Bureau was interested in any of the above [ ] it would be wise to check with him before proceeding forth, as he could advise whether [ ] has a high priority on the [ ].

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RECOMMENDATION:

For your information.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Belmont *ad 3*  
 FROM : F. C. Holloman  
 SUBJECT: WAR PLANS

DATE: July 11, 1955

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Sizoo	_____
Mr. Winterrowd	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

In accordance with the memorandum for Bureau Officials dated April 13, 1955, requesting certain data on those individuals needed at the relocation site for the first 24 to 48 hours, the following information is furnished to bring the data for the Director's Office up to date:

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- (2) The employees selected for evacuation are necessary for the proper functioning of this office wherever it is located.
- (3) Yes
- (4) Each employee has been notified several times, and there were no objections or displeasure over the necessity for being evacuated.
- (5) All

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 [Signature]  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: July 15, 1955

FROM : MR. R. R. ROACH

SUBJECT: RELOCATION SITE

Bureau War Plans - Emergency Headquarters For S.O.G.

Tolson ✓  
Boardman ✓  
Nichols ✓  
Belmont ✓  
Harbo ✓  
Mohr ✓  
Parsons ✓  
Rosen ✓  
Tamm ✓  
Sizoo ✓  
Winterrowd ✓  
Tele. Room ✓  
Holloman ✓  
Gandy ✓

As a matter of possible interest, [redacted] has [redacted] approval to build a new permanent building [redacted]. From conversations with [redacted], the site location for this building will be announced some time in [redacted]. The possibilities are good that the building will be [redacted].

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The building is to be built with the idea in mind of having it as near bomb proof as possible. It is anticipated that it will be finished and ready for occupancy in [redacted].

It is believed that if the Bureau feels it desirable, arrangements could be made with [redacted] for the Bureau and the Department to have facilities for a permanent relocation site in this building. Consideration should, however, be given to the fact that if we approach [redacted] at this time they could possibly use this to make their building larger so as to accommodate the Bureau and the Department which might result in the building costing more than originally anticipated by [redacted].

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No comments have been made to [redacted] by Liaison in this connection but it was felt that this idea should be brought to your attention.

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## ACTION:

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This is submitted for your information.

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I doubt the wisdom of this

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Fipp
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Bates

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Belmont  
Bates  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. V. *KEAY*

DATE: July 15, 1955

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: BUREAU RELOCATION SITE -

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Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Resident Agent [ ] of [ ] called me on the afternoon of July 15 to advise that the real estate man whom he had previously contacted concerning [ ] has advised that [ ]

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[ ] The sale price would be between [ ] and [ ]. Agent [ ] said that [ ] will leave the first of next week for a three-week vacation.

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[ ] also picked up information that [ ] is interested in selling [ ]. The details of [ ] were set forth in a prior memorandum.

This is for your information in the event any further consideration is given in the future to the purchase of [ ]

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cc - Mr. Belmont  
 Mr. Keay  
 Mr. Roach

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *AB*

DATE: July 13, 1955

FROM : R. R. ROACH *RR*

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - SURVEY FOR NEW RELOCATION SITE

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 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

On July 5 and 6, 1955, Agents A. J. Baker, [redacted] and A. B. Fipp made a physical survey of [redacted]. The following summary of their findings is being set forth for record purposes. Attached hereto are three maps furnished these Agents by [redacted] for the Bureau's use.

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1 - Mr. Boardman

1 - Mr. Belmont

1 - Mr. Sizoo

1 - Mr. Holloman

1 - Section Ticker

1 - Mr. Fipp

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War Plans - Emergency Headquarters

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

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[REDACTED]

It is pointed out that the installation of microwave facilities by the Bureau to any of the Bureau's present terminals would require the establishment of several intervening relaying stations and would involve tremendous expense. In addition to the equipment, which would cost approximately \$25,000 per station, suitable land on the various mountain tops would have to be acquired, access roads built or improved and power lines constructed. There appears, however, to be space for the construction of adequate antenna for [REDACTED] facilities such as we now have at [REDACTED], as well as for radio teletype circuit to our main radio stations.

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[REDACTED]

Analysis of Survey at [REDACTED]

This site could be used although it has very apparent objections, namely: the buildings now existing are not sufficient in type to meet the Bureau's needs; the cost of establishing our communications system, including microwave, would be excessive; we would be [REDACTED]; and the site is [REDACTED].

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While we secured the concurrence of [REDACTED], concerning possible use of this site, further inquiry indicates that [REDACTED] would expect to use the entire [REDACTED] in an emergency and we would, therefore, have to force concurrence from [REDACTED].

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

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Conclusion:

The physical space at [redacted] is more than sufficient. However, in view of the above objections to [redacted], it is suggested we hold off on any further consideration of [redacted] at this time.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *AB*

DATE: July 18, 1955

FROM : Mr. R. R. Roach *RR*SUBJECT: *Bureau*  
*71K* WAR PLANS- RELOCATION SITE*Auxiliary Space - E.O.G.*  
On July 15, 1955, Liaison Agent John F. Sullivan inquired of

Mr. [redacted] whether a survey for [redacted] relocation site had been made in [redacted]. He stated that there had been a survey made and contacted Mr. [redacted], who advised him that a survey had been made in the area of [redacted]. Over the telephone, Mr. [redacted] advised that the only sites which would fit the Bureau's requirements had been found at [redacted]. He cautioned that there was a high priority on [redacted] and that before the Bureau made any inquiry that it contact Mr. Cox of the Office of Defense Mobilization (ODM).

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Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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If the Bureau is interested in [redacted] it has a high priority and the Bureau should first clear with Mr. Cox of ODM.

Mr. [redacted] advised that [redacted] had made a survey of these sites and more detailed information was available at [redacted].

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RECOMMENDATION:

For your information.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Keay
- 1 - Mr. Fipp
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan *126*
- 1 - Liaison Section

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: July 15, 1955

FROM : MR. V. P. *BEAY*cc Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Fipp  
Mr. Roach

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SUBJECT: WAR PLANS -  
RELOCATION SITE

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This afternoon I instructed SAC [ ] to have an immediate survey made as to possible relocation sites in the general vicinity of [ ]. You will recall that the Office of Defense Mobilization has advised us that [ ] has been selected as a possible relocation site for [ ].

[ ] I told [ ] that we were interested in first determining whether there are any [ ] in this area which could be utilized by us. I also told him to determine if there are any [ ] suitable for use as well as [ ]. I instructed that this be done forthwith and that he advise us of [ ] details of any likely possibilities. I told him that any inquiries made should be under pretext and no commitments should be made.

I reiterated to [ ] that what we need is a site where we can get some space under our control immediately for storage, communications and so forth. We would then need additional space for tests which should take care of [ ] to [ ] people. In the event of an emergency, we would need space that would accommodate at a minimum [ ] or [ ] people. I pointed out it was desirable that this space be on a "going basis" - that is - space that would be immediately useable.

[ ] will advise me the results of this survey no later than tomorrow and we will pursue any possibilities uncovered by him.

In addition, thru liaison we are obtaining a list of all [ ] in this general vicinity and a list of any [ ] through [ ]. These will be examined to see if we can discover any facilities suitable for our use.

Prompt action will be taken with respect to any possible sites that are discovered in this survey and you will be advised.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: July 18, 1955

FROM : MR. V. P. KEAY

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS  
SURVEY FOR RELOCATION SITE

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Reference is made to your memorandum July 15, 1955, reflecting [redacted] located at [redacted] might be suitable and available as a relocation site for the Bureau. Pursuant to approval, at 5:30 p.m. on July 15, 1955, Resident Agent [redacted] was instructed to contact [redacted] on an exploratory and informal basis regarding the use of [redacted] as the Bureau relocation site. It was pointed out to [redacted] that we would need some space immediately over which we would have absolute control. This space would be needed for storage, supplies, files, records and communications equipment, so forth, and for the installation of a communications center. It was further pointed out to [redacted] that we would need space to conduct tests as ordered by the Office of Defense Mobilization (ODM), which space should accommodate [redacted] to [redacted] persons. In the event of a true emergency it was pointed out we would need space for [redacted] or [redacted] persons. I pointed out to [redacted] that no commitments were to be made and this contact would be solely for the purpose of determining the attitude of [redacted].

On July 16, 1955, [redacted] advised telephonically that he had contacted [redacted] and [redacted] had shown a favorable attitude. However, [redacted] indicated that they had no space which they could allocate to the Bureau at present as both are pressed for space, in fact, [redacted] has a building program. They stated, however, that they felt certain arrangements could be made to take over [redacted] in the event of an emergency and that they felt that some satisfactory arrangements could be made for the Bureau to use [redacted] for test purposes particularly if these tests were held [redacted].

(The last test was held on June 15, 16, 17 and according to ODM the next test will be held the same time possibly and maybe a surprise test in addition.) It was pointed out by [redacted]

cc - Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Keay  
Mr. Roach  
Mr. McArdle

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We certainly can give no assurance as to when tests are to be held. H.

Bureau War Plans - Emergency Headquarters for S.O.G.

*Memorandum for Mr. Belmont*

[redacted] that although [redacted]  
they do on occasion [redacted]. It is probable, however,  
that this would not interfere with the test inasmuch as [redacted]  
[redacted] would not use the entire facilities. [redacted].  
[redacted] advised that any arrangements made would have to  
be [redacted].

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I asked [redacted] if there was any possible space at  
[redacted] that could be obtained by the Bureau immediately to  
use for a storage site and for installation of communications  
equipment with a view to utilizing [redacted] for a test and  
emergency site. [redacted] advised that there is [redacted]

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b7E

Through Liaison it was ascertained that [redacted]

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I called SAC [redacted], instructed that he immediately make  
contact with [redacted] to find out the status of  
[redacted] and to informally ascertain

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[redacted]  
[redacted] advised at 5 p.m.<sup>1:18-46</sup> that he had been  
unable to get in touch with [redacted]

[redacted]. He stated that a contact would be made with [redacted]  
the very first thing in the morning of July 19 and the Bureau  
would be advised.

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In the light of information we have reflecting that  
this [redacted] site may be suitable and available to us,  
Supervisor Tipp is proceeding to [redacted] on July 19  
to make an on-the-spot detailed survey.

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You will be advised in detail of the survey of [redacted]  
[redacted] and the results of our check at [redacted]  
[redacted] and we will continue to press this matter on an  
expedite basis.

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*sp/10*

*gmm*

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *AWK*

DATE: July 12, 1955

FROM : R. R. ROACH *3*SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - [redacted] *AWK*

Tolson	_____
Boardman	_____
Nichols	_____
Belmont	_____
Mohr	_____
Parsons	_____
Rosen	_____
Tamm	_____
Sizoo	_____
Winterrowd	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Holloman	_____
Gandy	_____

b7E

On July 5, 1955, Mr. Edward Cox, Relocation Officer, Office of Defense Mobilization (ODM), was telephonically contacted by Liaison representative Walter F. Woods in order to determine whether or not [redacted] was considered by ODM a prime target area. *Fipp*

Subsequently, on July 12, 1955, Joseph Musick, also of ODM, was contacted relating to this same problem. According to both Cox and Musick, [redacted] is not listed for planning purposes as a prime target along the same lines that they have listed [redacted] and other important population centers. According to both Cox and Musick, however, it is <sup>the</sup> thinking in ODM that in view of the fact so much publicity has been given to [redacted] the area will be considered a prime target in the event of war.

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WFW:pyp:td *WFW*  
(6)

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. McArdle
- 1 - Mr. Fipp
- 1 - Section Tickler
- 1 - Mr. Woods

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *WJ*

DATE: July 14, 1955

FROM : R. R. ROACH *R*SUBJECT: BUREAU WAR PLANS SURVEY ON  
RELOCATION SITES

Tolson	_____
Boardman	_____
Nichols	_____
Belmont	_____
Harbo	_____
Mohr	_____
Parsons	_____
Rosen	_____
Tamm	_____
Sizoo	_____
Winterrowd	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Holloman	_____
Gandy	_____

For your information on instant date SA D. J. Sullivan,  
Liaison Section, contacted [redacted]

[redacted] concerning possible  
relocation sites: [redacted]. It was ascertained  
that with the exception of [redacted]  
[redacted] only two sites which might  
possibly be suitable for relocation purposes. These were [redacted]  
[redacted] and [redacted].

With reference to the [redacted] site [redacted] stated  
that [redacted]  
[redacted] and, therefore, not much information was available  
concerning the physical setup [redacted]. He  
also stated that [redacted] was presently moving  
out of [redacted] to a new location and that [redacted] intended  
to use to the fullest extent the space vacated by [redacted].  
According to [redacted] consists of [redacted] acres with  
improvements. [redacted] was of the opinion that most of this was  
warehouse space and was of old construction inasmuch as [redacted]  
[redacted]. More complete details relative to the physical  
setup of [redacted] are being obtained from [redacted] and will be  
furnished in a separate memorandum.

With reference to [redacted] it has been  
ascertained that it is a [redacted] in good condition but  
is [redacted] at the present time. [redacted]

DJS:mlp *W*  
(7) *P*

- 1 - Mr. Belmont *WJ*
- 1 - Mr. Keay
- 1 - sect. tick.
- 1 - Mr. McArdle *WJ*
- 1 - Mr. Fipp *WJ*
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

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*Memorandum to Mr. Belmont*

[ ] It is noted that [ ] is taking over the above-mentioned [ ] site since they do not have sufficient space at [ ] to carry on the necessary activities. Because it is necessary to take over [ ] to take care of overflow from [ ], [ ] stated that there was no available yard for the Bureau to use as a relocation site.

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ACTION:

That [ ] not be considered as a possible relocation site at this time.

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## Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: July 15, 1955

FROM : R. R. ROACH

SUBJECT: *Bureau*  
WAR PLANS - *Emergency Space - D.O.G.*  
SURVEY FOR NEW RELOCATION SITE

Tolson	_____
Boardman	_____
Nichols	_____
Belmont	_____
Harbo	_____
Mohr	_____
Parsons	_____
Rosen	_____
Tamm	_____
Sizoo	_____
Winterrowd	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Holloman	_____
Gandy	_____

Pursuant to instructions of Mr. Keay in your office, SA [redacted] of [redacted] Field Office on July 15, 1955, was requested by Agent Fipp to go to [redacted] Mr. [redacted] was to secure from [redacted] a list of [redacted] located in [redacted] that could possibly be considered as [redacted] satisfactory of being contacted for the purpose of establishing a relocation site for the Bureau. Agent [redacted] on this date furnished the following information in accordance with the above request. It is to be noted that no attempt is being made to furnish the names of [redacted] of insufficient capacity to take care of the Bureau's needs.

*No*

*No*

*Committed to*

*OK but no space*

ABF:dje (8)

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1 - Mr. Belmont

1 - Mr. Keay

1 - Mr. Roach

1 - J. E. McArdle

1 - Section tickler

2 - Mr. Fipp

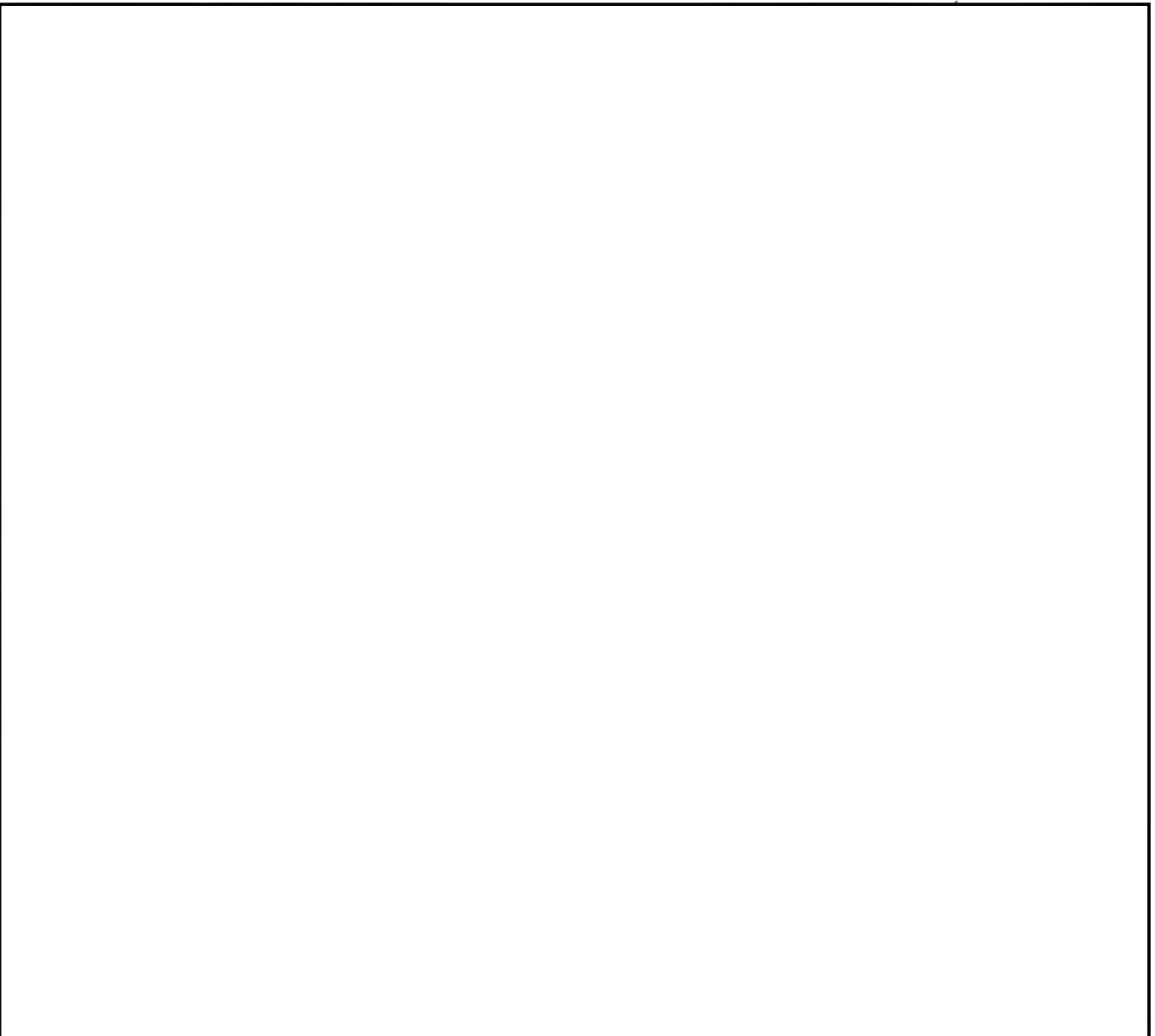
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*Keay*

Memorandum for Mr. Belmont



The above information was obtained from a review of [redacted]  
[redacted] Your attention is called to the fact that the majority of cases included the value of the property as this was the only way of showing the amount of buildings and equipment that would be available.

**ACTION:** The above is being submitted for your review and any leads necessary that result therefrom.

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TO : MR. R. R. ROACH

DATE: July 21, 1955

FROM : MR. C. W. BATES

SUBJECT: RELOCATION SITE

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

*Bureau of Plans - Auxiliary Space*

On July 19, 1955, the writer contacted Mr. [redacted]

*AWK*

[redacted] Mr. [redacted] is in charge of the relocation site for [redacted]. He stated that [redacted] had entered into an agreement with [redacted] and after meeting with [redacted], who approved the use of [redacted], a letter of understanding was signed between [redacted] and [redacted]. This letter stated that [redacted] would permit the use of its facilities to the Government in case of an emergency.

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[redacted] was used for the June, 1955, test but Mr. [redacted] pointed out there would be considerable difficulty if a test occurred [redacted]. [redacted] provided housing for approximately [redacted] employees in [redacted] as well as providing meals and making available office space for these employees. [redacted] also had [redacted] handle the leasing of an area for storage space for supplies. [redacted] has no permanent communication facilities at [redacted]. Mr. [redacted] pointed out that [redacted] facilities are completely adequate and [redacted] have been most cooperative in this matter. He stated that this facility is [redacted].

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ACTION:

For information.

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- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Fipp
- 1 - Mr. Bates

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman *lvb*

DATE: July 14, 1955

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont *AB*SUBJECT: *0 Bureau* WAR PLANS - SURVEY NEW RELOCATION SITE *Auxiliary Space L.O.B.*

In my memorandum to you dated July 13, 1955, wherein reference was made to a suggestion by the Immigration and Naturalization Service that [redacted]

be used as a relocation site for the Department of Justice, it was pointed out that SAC [redacted] had personally viewed all of the possible sites in the area and that his recollection of [redacted] was that it consisted of old wooden buildings which did not appear suitable for our use. It was recommended and approved that Mr. Belmont, et al, survey this area on July 14, 1955. It was also indicated that the Office of Defense Mobilization (ODM) would be contacted to determine ODM's estimate on the fall-out in the [redacted] area, as well as their thinking on agencies relocating [redacted]

Referral/Consult

WFW:jlf  
(7)

- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Keay
- 1 - Mr. Fipp
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Woods

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Memorandum for Mr. Boardman

Referral/Consult

ACTION:

A separate memorandum is being submitted regarding the survey conducted by Mr. Belmont.

*See that essence is included  
in memo to A. G. W.*

b7E

*Done*  
Memo to AG  
7-15-55  
+ cover memo  
Belmont to Boardman  
7-14-55  
AHB/886



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN *July 22*DATE: July 13, 1955 *7/15/55*FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT *OK*SUBJECT: WAR PLANS - SURVEY  
NEW RELOCATION SITE

*VPK*  
 Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

*AWK*  
 Reference is made to the suggestion by the Immigration and Naturalization Service that [redacted] be used as a relocation site for the Department of Justice. Between June 25 and 30, SAC [redacted] of the [redacted] Office on instructions of the Bureau personally made a survey together with Senior Resident Agent, [redacted] of the entire area around [redacted] including [redacted]. In an airtel to the Bureau dated July 1 reporting on various possible sites for relocation, SAC [redacted] stated that among the sites considered was [redacted].

*b7E*  
 With reference to [redacted] he stated in the airtel that it was principally a warehouse area and presently fully occupied and there was not much likelihood of the site being available for a relocation center. In view of the suggestion of Immigration and Naturalization Service, SAC [redacted] was telephonically contacted on July 13 relating to this site. [redacted] stated that he personally viewed all of the possible sites in the area and that his recollection of [redacted] was that it consisted of old wooden buildings which did not appear suitable for our use. He stated that he drove through the area but did not enter into the buildings or make specific inquiry of anyone at the site. He advised that his information relating to the site being fully occupied came from Senior Resident Agent [redacted] who is well acquainted with the area and in a position to know the facts regarding [redacted]. [redacted] is presently on extended leave out of town and thus, therefore, not possible to contact him immediately. *Not made of a check up by*

With reference to Mr. Walter Yeagley's observation that [redacted] was [redacted] it is to be

*b7E*  
 noted that [redacted]

cc - Mr. Boardman  
 Mr. Belmont  
 Mr. Key  
 Mr. Roach  
 Mr. McArdle  
 Mr. Fipp  
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 from Belmont  
 dtd 7-21-55 - wjw*

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Memorandum for Mr. Boardman

Referral/Consult

ACTION:

(1) With reference to SAC [ ]'s comments as to the suitability and evaluation of [ ] as soon as full facts, particularly the results of the survey on July 14, 1955, by Mr. Belmont, et al, we will determine if [ ] was in error and take appropriate action.

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(2) We will also follow up to determine the ODM estimate on fall-out in the [ ] area as well as ODM thinking on agencies relocating [ ].

b7E

July 21, 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON  
MR. BOARDMAN  
MR. BELMONT  
MR. NICHOLS

In discussion with the Attorney General last Tuesday about relocation areas for the Department of Justice and the FBI, I left with the Attorney General the latest copy of the map which has been prepared showing the various relocation centers and some which are under study at the present time. I told the Attorney General that we were endeavoring to locate a suitable relocation center for the entire Department and the FBI and one which would be nearer to where the President may be located, but that to date we had not been able to find such a location but would continue our efforts.

The Attorney General indicated that no further consideration was being given by him to the suggested relocation center at [REDACTED] b7E

The Attorney General indicated that he had received word that there would be another alert test sometime in the Fall, which test will come without warning. I think that we should be thoroughly prepared to meet such a test and have no unnecessary delays in responding to the same and setting up our operations at [REDACTED] b7E. If we are still using [REDACTED] as the relocation center at the time the next alert is sounded. Of course, if some other location has, in the meantime, been selected, we should take prompt steps to have arrangements made so that we might immediately implement the occupation of the same upon the giving of the surprise alert.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

JEH:tlc

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SENT FROM D. O.	
TIME	11:15 AM
DATE	7-21-55
BY	[Signature]

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE:  
July 14, 1955

6 FROM : L. V. Boardman

**SUBJECT:** *RELOCATION SITE*

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

At 5:30 p.m., 7/13/55, Walter Yeagley of the Department called relative to going to [redacted] to examine the proposed relocation site, at 9 a.m., 7/14/55, and stated he had been examining material in his office and ascertained [redacted]

is [redacted] He stated it was his recollection [redacted] is considered to be a target area and, if so, [redacted], which is [redacted], would also be in the target area. He stated he, therefore, was wondering about the feasibility of considering General Swing's proposed relocation. I asked Yeagley whether he had any positive knowledge that [redacted] was designated as a target area and he stated he did not but that he was going to check further.

I apprised you of the above conversation, at which time you stated it was desirable for Belmont and Nease to go with General Howard to the relocation site, notwithstanding the above information. I so instructed Belmont.

Yeagley again called later and stated he had mentioned his information to the AG and Assistant AG Tompkins, who had stated it might be worthwhile to postpone a trip to [redacted] until a determination was made as to whether the proposed relocation site was in a target area. I told Yeagley that I had mentioned his conversation to you and that I had nevertheless instructed Belmont and Nease to go with General Howard to [redacted] for the purpose of looking over the site, irrespective of the possibility that it might be in a target area. Yeagley stated that since Belmont and Nease were going he might also decide to go. I told Yeagley that I would not presume to recommend that he go or not go, since that was a matter for him to decide. This morning I ascertained that Yeagley plans to go. 3

We are making checks relative to [redacted] and the question as to whether the proposed relocation site might be in a target area, and as soon as information is received in this regard you will be advised.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. BOARDMAN *7-21-55*

DATE:

July 19, 1955

FROM : C. E. Hennrich

SUBJECT: WAR PLANS -  
Proposed Relocation Site,  
New Cumberland, Pa.

Tolson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Boardman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Nichols	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Belmont	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
DeLoach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mohr	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Parsons	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rosen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tamm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sizoo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Winterrowd	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tele. Room	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Holloman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Gandy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

The Director inquired whether Mr. Yeagley of the Department had written a memorandum regarding his views, after examination of the proposed relocation site at [REDACTED] b7E

Mr. Belmont has advised that he talked with Yeagley on Friday, 7/15/55. Yeagley said he was sending a memorandum which he had prepared to Mr. Tompkins, in which he expressed his views regarding the site, along the same lines as Mr. Belmont's views.

I talked with Mr. Yeagley on 7/19/55, and he informed me that his memorandum had been returned to him from Mr. Lindsay of the Attorney General's office. He said that he had recommended against this relocation site at this time in the hope that something better could be found. Yeagley said in talking with Tompkins, Tompkins had indicated he had discussed the matter with the AG and that Tompkins gained the impression that no further consideration was being given to the [REDACTED] site at this time, and that the AG had indicated that further efforts should be made to line up some other site. b7E

## ACTION:

For your information.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

DATE: July 15, 1955

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT:

WAR PLANS SURVEY FOR NEW  
RELOCATION SITE

Tolson  
Boardman  
Nichols  
Belmont  
Harbo  
Mohr  
Parsons  
Rosen  
Tamm  
 Sizoo  
Winterrowd  
Tele. Room  
Holloman  
Gandy

On July 14, 1955, the liaison representative to the Office of Defense Mobilization (ODM) obtained a list<sup>attached</sup> of relocation sites which sets forth the location and facility for the departments and agencies in the Executive Branch of Government. At the specific request of Dr. Arthur Flemming, Director, ODM, this list has not been disseminated beyond the White House and General Services Administration. The list was obtained through General Willard S. Paul, Assistant Director, ODM, after he obtained the approval of Dr. Flemming. General Paul asked the liaison representative that the list not be referred to by our liaison representative in conversation with other agencies concerning war plans.

This list consists of a total of [ ] sites of which [ ] are located in [ ], [ ] in [ ], [ ] in [ ] and [ ] in [ ]. Each in [ ] and [ ]. According to the list [ ] of the [ ] sites are located in [ ] and several others are located in [ ].

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ACTION:

Liaison will follow closely with ODM to obtain copies of similar lists as revisions occur.

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- 1 - Mr. Boardman  
1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Keay  
1 - sect. tick.  
1 - Mr. Fipp  
1 - Mr. Woods

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: July 19, 1955

FROM : Mr. R. R. Roach

SUBJECT: ~~X~~ OPERATION ALERT PRESS RELEASE (SUMMARY)

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

## SYNOPSIS:

Recently local newspapers and press services have carried articles relating to "Operation Alert - 1955." These articles were based on a press release issued by Arthur F. Flemming, Director of Office of Defense Mobilization (ODM), and more or less summarized a forthcoming report on the test.

Mr. John Grady, Assistant Director, ODM, who was in charge of planning for the recent test, advised Walter F. Woods, Liaison Section, that the final report concerning the test is in the process of being prepared and that it may be several weeks before it is completed.

The press release pointed out that the test, according to Flemming, was a pilot operation and that its underlying purpose was to uncover as many defects as possible in plans for maintaining the continuity of government and dealing with emergency problems in the event of attack on continental U. S. It pointed out that unlike the military, the civilian agencies generally were unfamiliar with this type of field test but that personnel assigned to the test on the whole did an exceptionally fine job and performed their duties with a real sense of urgency. It was indicated that another test of even greater magnitude will be made of readiness plans in 1956 and that the test will not only be tied in with a Civil Defense test, but that it will also be an integral part of a military war-gaming exercise. The press release further indicated that all agencies that participated in the recent exercise will run additional individual tests under ODM guidelines of their own operations at relocation sites sometime during the period between November 15, 1955, and January 15, 1956, but without prior announcement of the exact time of the test. It is presumed, according to Dr. Flemming, that the White House will participate in the individual tests.

Dr. Flemming, in issuing this release advised that "Operation Alert-1955" proved that it is possible to develop operating plans under which essential wartime functions of the Executive Branch of government could be effectively performed at relocation sites. He noted that many sites were

WFW:jlf

(6) JUL 20 1955

1 - Mr. Nichols  
 1 - Mr. Belmont  
 1 - Mr. McArdle

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1 - Liaison Section  
 1 - Mr. Woods

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont

temporary and, hence, inadequate for prolonged use, while others, such as colleges, were practical only for short test periods during vacation sessions. He said that some agencies may find it necessary to select new sites. He urged all agencies to develop plans under which small groups of employees would perform regular year-round duties at the relocation sites and at the same time be trained to operate the relocation headquarters until employees from Washington were able to reach them in the event of an attack.

Dr. Flemming, according to the release, said he had received detailed reports from heads of agencies from an inspection group drawn from the Bureau of the Budget and the Civil Service Commission and from a group of ODM executive reservists and consultants and that specific recommendations and conclusions based on these reports included the following:

1. Wartime organization should be perfected and used for future test exercises and planning. Plans for regional coordination should be thoroughly developed.
2. The communications system and training procedures for its use should be strengthened.
3. Locations of relocation sites should be reviewed in terms of interagency relationships under wartime conditions.

Regarding the proposed "surprise" individual test to be staged during November, 1955, and January, 1956, it will be recalled that recently General Willard S. Paul, Assistant Director, ODM, advised Liaison that in all probability it will not be required of the Bureau to conduct such a test. At that time it was pointed out to General Paul that the Bureau had successfully conducted a test in May, 1955, and participated fully with the test in June, 1955, at which time our procedures were tested. He was also advised that the Bureau was in the process of locating a new site for relocation purposes and that in view of this it would probably not be practical for the Bureau to engage in a surprise test.

ACTION:

Liaison will follow closely with ODM and obtain a copy of the Operation Alert report when completed. Liaison will also follow with General Paul and report on developments of the surprise test.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: July 15, 1955

FROM : MR. V. P. KEAY

cc - Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Roach  
Mr. FippTolson  
Boardman  
Nichols  
Belmont  
Mohr  
Parsons  
Rosen  
Tamm  
 Sizoo  
Winterrowd  
Tele. Room  
Holloman  
GandySUBJECT: WAR PLANS -  
RELOCATION SITE

Liaison Agent John Sullivan was advised by [redacted] that a large installation was constructed by [redacted] in [redacted] during the last war. After the war, this installation was turned over to [redacted] and is now utilized as [redacted]. It was suggested that it might be possible to make arrangements with [redacted] to use the property as a relocation center.

At 12:30 p.m. today I called ASAC [redacted] of [redacted] and told him to check on this installation - that is - as to the type of building involved and as to what use it is presently being put so that the Bureau could decide whether it desired to endeavor to secure this space as a relocation site. At 4:30 p.m. ASAC [redacted] advised that [redacted] Resident Agent in [redacted] had checked on this installation. He stated that it consisted of two large modern buildings about [redacted]. These two buildings have a total of [redacted] square feet of space. They have one building at present which consists entirely of open space. The other building has a number of offices partitioned off in it and also has some open space along the lines of the [redacted] building in [redacted] which we used during the last war. It was stated that these buildings during the war had a great many more partitions in them making office space available, but these have been taken out by [redacted] so that the buildings could be used for [redacted]. The buildings have very adequate and modern sanitary facilities, lighting, water and so forth.

These two buildings are used very little and the only definite use at the present time is as follows: [redacted]

[redacted]. There has been criticism regarding these two very modern and up-to-date buildings which are left idle during most of the year and [redacted] would undoubtedly be very anxious to make any other use of them.

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According to the Resident Agent, these buildings are very flexible as to their use. There could be facilities constructed in them, such as dining space and so forth if it was

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desired. However, insofar as living quarters are concerned, [redacted] and there would appear to be ample facilities to absorb the persons who would be relocated. b7E

Although the Office of Defense Mobilization has stated that [redacted] is considered [redacted], I think we should look into this site. We, of course, do not want to relocate in a critical area or a primary target area, but it may be necessary that we obtain a site [redacted]. [redacted] advised that according to the Resident Agent, it will be necessary to talk to [redacted] regarding this. The Director and Manager of the building recently resigned. b7E

If you approve, we will have the Resident Agent on an exploratory and informal basis talk to [redacted] regarding the availability of the site for Department of Justice relocation, in the event we decide that it would be desirable as a relocation site. He will also have the Resident Agent get plans and additional details relating to the Buildings themselves, such as whether there are any removable partitions which are stored away which could be used, exact type of lighting, type of heating and other pertinent factors relating to use of the buildings as a relocation site. b7E

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Instructed.  
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*Chart and Pictures,*



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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *AB*

DATE: July 20, 1955

FROM : MR. V. P. KEAY *VPK*cc. Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Roach  
Mr. FippSUBJECT: WAR PLANS -  
RELOCATION SITE

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Nichols	_____
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Reference is made to my memorandum of July 15, 1955, reflecting information regarding the possible use of [redacted] as a Bureau relocation site. You will recall that this site consists of two large modern buildings about [redacted]. The buildings have a total of [redacted] sq.ft. of space, chiefly in open show space, but do have some offices. The buildings were built by [redacted] and turned over to [redacted] after the last war and are presently used for only a small portion of the year for [redacted]. The Special Agent in Charge of the [redacted] Office was instructed to make a contact with [redacted] to ascertain on an exploratory basis whether these buildings could be obtained for our use as a relocation site.

On July 19 and 20, 1955, SAC [redacted] reported on the results of contacts with [redacted]

[redacted], who it was determined is actually in charge of this building. [redacted] stated that he could see no objection to making an arrangement for the Bureau to use this space in the event of an emergency or using it for test purposes. He stated, however, that during [redacted] the space is entirely contracted for in advance and that, therefore, there would be no space available to rent to the Bureau on a permanent basis. We, of course, would need about [redacted] sq.ft. of space on a permanent basis for storage, communications facilities and so forth. He stated also that during [redacted] there would be no space for test purposes since all of the space was utilized for [redacted].

Resident Agent [redacted] of the [redacted] Office obtained a chart and pictures of the building which are attached and made a survey of the building. He determined that there is on the second floor above the "East Lobby" approximately [redacted] sq.ft. which would be suitable for the Bureau's use and is, apparently not used for [redacted]. An additional contact was made with [redacted] concerning this space and [redacted] stated it might be possible to work out something relative to this space. He stated, however, that it would be necessary that the whole matter be taken up with [redacted].

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[redacted]  
[redacted]. The next meeting of [redacted] is not scheduled until October, 1955. However, [redacted] will call a special meeting if we are interested. [redacted] requested that a letter be written to him outlining the Bureau's interest and requesting consideration of the Bureau's use of the space as we desire it. [redacted]'s address is [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that we not pursue this site any further at this time inasmuch as there are other more desirable sites being considered. It should be noted that this site is [redacted]

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[redacted] which would not prohibit our using it, but would make it less desirable than other space [redacted]

[redacted] such as [redacted].

If you approve, I will so advise the SAC in [redacted] so that he can inform Mr. [redacted]  
[redacted].

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